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"Natchez, On the Hill, From the Old Fort," lithograph, between 1833 and 1835, by James Tooley Jr. (delineator) and Risso and Browne (lithographer). [New Orleans Collection, Acc. No. 1971.41.]

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Preface

It does not take the late twentieth-century tourist long to discover what travelers have known for a century-and-a-half: the richest population in the United States lived in Natchez before the Civil War. As Indian mounds up river and down show, the area had been wealthy long before as well.

This wealth, and the back-breaking labor and skill that undergirded it, survives not only in mansions and the ceremonial centers of Native Americans, but in archives. The Natchez District looms large in the holdings of manuscript repositories across the South, from North Carolina to Texas. This issue of the *Southern Research Report* summarizes what some of these collections hold.

Several dozen institutions were invited to report their Natchez area holdings. Those that responded together have the lion's share of private papers, photographs, oral histories, musical recordings, and films documenting southwestern Mississippi below Vicksburg and the adjacent areas of Louisiana.

Scholars have long used some of this rich diversity of material. Yet, because these collections are scattered across a third of the United States, researchers have again and again had to develop personal catalogs of those materials potentially important to them. Created from repository guides, the *National Union Catalog of Manuscript Collections*, other finding aids, and previous scholars' footnotes, these personal *Baedekers* to Natchez history are monuments not only to industry and dedication, but also to inefficiency and inadequacy.

It does not make sense for scholars to have to reinvent the wheel repeatedly. That each has had to map the archival terrain of the Natchez District for himself or herself shows how limited national systems for locating archival holdings still are.

This volume offers at least a partial corrective to a long-standing problem. Even after more repositories have made their finding aids available for browsing on the Internet, multi-repository, subject guides such as this one will continue to help researchers isolate the institutions and collections most interesting to them. With this information in hand, scholars will be much better able to use the Internet to search out more detailed and up-to-date information. When they do, they will have an overview of the history-scape they wish to traverse.

The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill's Academic Affairs Library and Center for the Study of the American South cosponsored this publication, funded also in part by the Randleigh Foundation Trust through a grant to the Southern Historical Collection and a Kenan trust grant to the Center. Such University investments in service to the region and its study date back at least to 1904-5. In that year, the Kenan family first contributed to the University's library to support the collection of Southern history.

Then few institutions served the field. Ninety years later there are 2,000 repositories across the region. Then few scholars studied the South. Ninety years later there are more than a hundred just at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Then there was only a handful of journals serving the Southern Studies community. Ninety years later the University itself is home to several, including *Southern Cultures* and the *Southern Literary Journal.*

Such proliferation makes all the more important cooperation among the institutions supporting Southern Studies. Thus this volume and other joint ventures by the University and other institutions. The University recognizes that for its investments in the region to leverage the most good, they must be made in the context of what other investors are doing.

The Southern Historical and Folklife Collections of the University's Academic Affairs Library have been building their holdings in this spirit. In the case of Natchez, these Collections have never sought to become the major center of local history but, rather, to help place Natchez's history in the broader contexts of the region's economic, social, and cultural development. In turn, this issue of the *Southern Research Report* puts these collecting goals in perspective. The holdings at Chapel Hill only become fully meaningful in the context of other institutions' holdings—holdings that in some instances contain more Natchez District history.

Gratitude goes to the repositories willing to participate in this joint venture. That their overworked staffs found time to contribute the following chapters is testimony to their commitment as well as to their ability to forego sleep.

The staff members of these repositories would never have had the chance to lose sleep in this cause, if Ron and Mimi Miller of the Historic Natchez Foundation and Ron Davis of California State University at Northridge had not conspired together to stage a series of biannual conferences devoted to the Natchez District. In part, these conferences have been made possible through the financial investments of several of the repositories represented in this volume. The Southern Historical and Folklife Collections are grateful for the chance to join these investors through the issuing of this guide on behalf of the copublishers and the cosponsors of the Natchez District conferences.

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Duke University
Special Collections Library

The Special Collections Library at Duke University houses the following archival holdings related to the Natchez district:

SAMUEL SMITH DOWNEY PAPERS, 1762-1965 (BULK 1800-1900); 3,279 ITEMS.
Irish immigrant and planter, of Granville Couty, NC. The papers of Samuel S. Downey, which also contain the papers of James Webb Alexander, John Granville Smith, Thomas Downey, James Downey, and son-in-law Isaac H. Davis, concern S.S. Downey's administration of the estate of John G. Smith and the many suits involving the estate; management of plantations in MS and NC including correspondence and legal papers dealing with hiring slaves to build a railroad from Natchez to Jackson, MS, in the 1830's; letters from factors in war letters of Downey's sons, for the most part describing the effects of the war on civilians.

DUNCAN MCLAURIN PAPERS, 1779-1922 (BULK 1822-1872); 1,888 ITEMS.
Farmer, teacher, lawyer, and state legislator, of Richmond County, NC. Correspondence, bills, receipts, legal and other papers, and printed material (1822-1872) of McLaurin and members of his family. Includes correspondence of relatives in MS (ca. 1830-1867) concerns frontier conditions, slavery, politics, agricultural problems, sectionalism, and nationalism in MS, Reconstruction conditions, and family affairs. Includes an atlas with a list of slaves.

ROBERT BRUCE HOADLEY PAPERS, 1861-1866; 12 ITEMS.
Union soldier from Comanche, IA. Letters of a soldier in the 26th IA Regiment, in part describing his service at the seige of Vicksburg.

GERTRUDE JENKINS PAPERS, 1859-1908; 1 VOL. (104 PAGES).
Typed manuscript entitled "Endurin' the War," compiled by Gertrude Jenkins containing various reminiscences, including those of Robert Alexander Jenkins, a Confederate soldier. The volume also contains copies of the letters of Lieut. Francis Christian Clewell, 1st MO Cavalry, describing his service as well as the seige of Vicksburg.

ABBY E. STAFFORD PAPERS, 1859-1866; 44 ITEMS.
Resident of New Carlisle, OH. Civil War letters, largely by Samuel McKinney Stafford to his sister Abby. Topics include military events and army generals in MO and AR; depredations by Union troops; Confederate guerilla activity; immorality of troops; profiteering by officers; contrabands; illness; Sherman's advance through GA and the capture of Fort McAllister on the Ogeechee River; the condition of former federal prisoners at Vicksburg, and that city's decline.

RICHARD ELWARD PAPERS, 1845-1860; 23 ITEMS.
Daybook of a Natchez, MS printer, stationer, bookbinder, and bookseller, 1845-1847; subscription book, 1848-1852, from Elward's newspaper, the Mississippi Free Trader, including business letters and receipts concerning the newspaper and records relating to Elward's duties as postmaster of Natchez.

FERRIDAY FAMILY DAYBOOK, 1864-1867; 1895-1896; 1 VOL.
A daybook containing the accounts of various members of the Ferriday family of Easton, PA including accounts of a plantation at or near Natchez, investments, and personal expenses; and agricultural accounts, 1895-1896, of Pendleton Ferriday, of Port Gibson, MS, containing accounts for laborers or tenants on farms in Grand Gulf and Pick Place.

KATE D. FOSTER DIARY, 1863-1872; 1 VOL. 40 PAGES.
Daughter of James Foster, resident of Adams County, MS. The majority of the entries date to the latter half of 1863 and concern the Civil War and Miss Foster's opinions about the righteousness of the Southern cause and the effect of the war on her home and the local slaves. Postwar entries concern personal matters. The diary's inside covers are pasted with clippings of pro-Southern patriotic poetry. There is a typescript of the text.

JOHN KNIGHT PAPERS, 1788-1891; 1,339 ITEMS.
Merchant and financier. Mainly personal letters exchanged by Knight and his wife, Frances (Beall) Knight, with their relatives in MD, containing information about mercantile activities in MS after 1830, speculation and investment in the West, slavery and planting, cotton culture in MS, American finance during the Civil War.

BENJAMIN LEONARD COVINGTON WAILES PAPERS, 1843-1862; 155 ITEMS.
Agriculturist, geologist, and naturalist of Washington County, MS. Correspondence and diaries, chiefly during the years of Wailes' professorship at the University of MS. Includes diaries containing detailed accounts of Wailes' planting operations and his fossil collection and over a hundred letters from notable scientists.

Other topics include MS and Southern politics in the ante-bellum period, economic conditions, railroads, agriculture, secession, and the Civil War until 1862.

Partially published in Charles S. Snydor, ed., *A Gentleman from the Old Natchez Region: Benjamin L.C. Wailes* (1938).

Additional volumes of diaries can be found in MS Dept. of Archives and History.

LEWIS CLARKE PAPERS, 1847-1876; 246 ITEMS.
Planter of Rocky Springs, MS. Records of a plantation store.

JAMES H. GORDON ACCOUNT BOOK, 1883-1885; 1 VOL.
Accounts of a Port Gibson, MS general merchant, with inventories for the years of 1883 and 1885 giving prices, quantities, and descriptions of the merchandise.

DUNCAN AND DUGAL MCCALL PAPERS, 1832-1874; 5 ITEMS.
Plantation journals and accounts of a small MS corn farmer, Dugal McCall and his son, Duncan, recording daily activities, cotton picked by individual slaves, supplies issued to slaves, and lists of slaves.

SIDNEY S. CHAMPION PAPERS, 1838-1907; 108 ITEMS.
Teacher, Confederate Army officer, and planter of Champion Hills, Hinds Co., MS. Chiefly letters written by Champion to his wife during the Civil War describing his military activities in the 28th MS Cavalry in the defense of Vicksburg, 1862-1863, and campaigns in GA. Also includes elaborate instructions to his wife, who was living on a refugee farm in MS, and comments on refugees and other social and economic developments of the period.

JOHN BULL SMITH DIMITRY CORRESPONDENCE 1850-191; 580 ITEMS.
Soldier, Confederate Post Office official, author, and teacher, of Jackson, MS. This collection mostly concerns the Stuart family, into which Dimitry married. Antebellum letters from James H. Stuart at the University of MS tell of school situations; Civil War correspondence of James and brother Oscar E. Stuart concern such matters as cost of uniforms and equipment, scarcity of supplies and ammunition, campaigns in VA in 1861, military hospitals, camp life, and army morale. Both men died in the war. Postwar correspondence deals with Reconstruction in MS, financial conditions, growth of the Patrons of Husbandry.

E. P. STRICKLAND LETTERS, 1863-1865; 6 ITEMS.
Union soldier's letters to his sister relating to the Vicksburg campaign.

DAVID D. PORTER PAPERS, 1847-1877; 14 ITEMS.
U.S. naval officer. Includes letters written by Porter as commander of the MS Squadron, U.S. Navy, requesting commissions, and supplies for families along the MS and TN Rivers, and issuing orders for patrolling these rivers.

J. T. BILLENSTEIN MEMOIR, 1862-1863; 1 VOL., 228 PAGES.
Narrative, written in the form of a journal, of the service of the U.S.S. Brooklyn, 1862-1863, in operations against New Orleans. Includes transcripts of official correspondence and orders.

ANDREW JACKSON PAPERS, 1796-1907 (BULK 1814-1843); 62 ITEMS.
U.S. army officer, President of the United States, 1829-1837. Papers chiefly concern military and Indian affairs, including affairs of the military department of the South when Jackson was in command, 1816, and construction of a military road from Nashville to New Orleans, 1816.

DAVID HENLEY, 1791-1800; 50 ITEMS.
Continental Army officer commissioner of Indian affairs in TN; and clerk in the War Department. Correspondence and papers dealing with treaties, agreements, and relations between the whites and the Choctaw and Creek Indians and the establishment of post roads from TN to the SC border and to Natchez, as well as other frontier-related materials.

HALLER NUTT PAPERS, 1864-1911; 723 ITEMS.
Planter of Natchez. Plantation journal and other papers (chiefly 1853-1860), mostly relating to the management of Nutt's land and slave holdings in MS and LA. Includes papers concerning the construction and furnishing of Longwood, Nutt's house at Natchez, which was designed by Samuel Sloan of Philadelphia.

GEORGE ANDREWS LETTER, 1802; 1 ITEM.
Letter to George Andrews from William Andrews describing his experiences moving to the MS territory and local economic conditions in Natchez.

ISAAC T. FARNSWORTH PAPERS, 1827-1841; 19 ITEMS.
Business and plantation agent of Natchez. Principally family letters concerning family matters, with references to slavery, trade, Natchez. commodity prices, mosquitoes, yellow fever, Andrew Jackson, the MS flood of 1828, Jackson's war on the Bank of the United States, the fire of 1836 in Natchez, and the panic of 1837.

GEORGE WELLER PAPER, 1833; 1 ITEM.
Weller was an Episcopal clergyman, serving in Vicksburg, MS from 1839-1841. James G. Birney's letter to Weller of Nov. 2, 1833 discusses a visit to Nashville and a proposed emancipation of slaves and a subsequent establishment of a colony for them in Africa.

EARL VAN DORN PAPERS, 1862-1951 (BULK 1862-1863); 4 ITEMS.
Confederate general from Port Gibson, MS, papers include an 1862 address to the people of LA and MS; a report from brigadier general Meriwether J. Thompson on the assembling of troops at Memphis on July 25, 1862 and speculation on their activities.

ELECTUS W. JONES PAPERS, 1860-1863; 18 ITEMS.
Papers from Union soldier, mainly describing forts and camps around Washington in late 1862, with details of camp life on food, health conditions, prayer meetings, stragglers, picket duty, etc. The papers conclude with an interesting letter on July 22, 1863 from Vicksburg after the surrender describing the city, the transports in the river, hunger of Confederate soldiers, high prices of food, and depredations on the Jefferson Davis plantation.

ALEXANDER GALLATIN MCNUTT LETTERS AND CIRCULARS, 1836-1864; 8 ITEMS.
These papers concern McNutt, born in Vicksburg and the eleventh governor of MS. One letter written in 1836 is a reply to inquiries about MS land. Two other items are circulars signed by him. There are two news clippings and other items related to MS politics in 1840's-1850's.

ISAAC SHOEMAKER, ISAAC DIARY, 1864; 1 ITEM, 78 PAGES.
Shoemaker was a northern man who traveled south to cultivate cotton on land vacated by southerners. His diary describes his trip from Cincinnati to Vicksburg, and his short-lived plantation experiences. He describes northern supply lines, Confederate guerilla raids on his plantation, and military control of Vicksburg. He also writes of Gen. Banks' Red River expedition, his impressions of the freed slaves and their treatment by the northerners, losses of northerners who came south.

GEORGE POINDEXTER LETTERS, 1804-1819; 5 ITEMS.
Poindexter moved from his native VA to Natchez in 1802, becoming a legislator and later the second governor of MS. These letters describe a 55 day trip by boat to Natchez and his battle with yellow fever, comments on the possiblity of English rather than a U.S. protectorate over the MS Territory, a list of Poindexter's credentials for the position of representative to Congress.

JOHN FRANKLIN HAMTRAMCK CLAIBORNE PAPERS, 1858; 1 ITEM.
Letter concerning the burning of the dwelling of Mr. Jackson which was located near Claiborne's Natchez residency.

IRWIN RUSSELL PAPERS, 1877 AND N.D.; 2 ITEMS.
Russell, an American poet from Port Gibson, MS, writes his cousin describing his Christmas holiday. The other item is a manuscript of his poem "Nine Graves in Edinb'ro."

PRESCOTT AND FLEMING DAYBOOK AND LEDGER, 1837-1842; 1 VOL., 268 PAGES.
These two were Natchez bookbinders. The daybook is mostly settlements of accounts and give a partial indication of the reading interests of the firm's clients. One client was Richard Elward (see his papers).

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF WAR. BUREAU OF REFUGEES, FREEDMEN, AND ABANDONED LANDS PAPERS; 6 ITEMS
These items refer to the enforcement of the abandoned property act of the U.S. Government in Natchez, and other places. The few pieces offer an interesting sidelight on one of the lesser known aspects of the Civil War.

JAMES BISLAND PAPERS, 1822-1835; 15 ITEMS.
These papers are deeds for slaves bought by James Bisland, a Scottish immigrant to the Natchez area.

ANONYMOUS DIARY, 1838; 1 VOL., 50 PAGES.
Account of a trip by steamboat from Natchez to Houston, TX.

JAMES MEAGHER PAPERS, 1863-1867; 3 ITEMS.
This British subject living in MS during the Civil War wrote mainly concerning the confiscation by northern troops of nearly 200 bales of cotton he had bought and his attempts to collect damages.

EDNA WHITFIELD ALEXANDER PAPERS, CA. 1833-1985; CA. 1000 ITEMS.
Civic and social leader from Jackson, MS. Correspondence, speeches, printed materials, notes, photographs, memorabilia, etc., dealing with the life and interests of Mrs. Alexander. Topics include: support of South Africa and trips there, anti-communism work, work with the D.A.R., family history. Also includes material from late 19th century, early 20th on schools: Industrial Institute and College of MS, Gulf Park College, MS Normal College, and MS Normal Institute at Sherman.

WILLIAM BASKERVILLE HAMILTON PAPERS, 1700S-1972; CA. 53,500 ITEMS AND 200 VOLS.

Professor of History at Duke University, editor of the South Atlantic Quarlerly, 1956-1972. Personal and professional papers. Includes his research materials for MS history centering on MS Territory, 1798-1817 and contains notes and copies and transcripts of documents. There is some additional research material on MS and sectionalism in the ante-bellum period.

Emory University

Special Collections Department

The Special Collections Department of the Robert W. Woodruff Library was established to house and provide access to the library's collections of rare books, manuscripts, University Archives and other special materials.

Notable holdings among the rare book collection (30,000+ volumes) are: incunabula (books printed before 1501); a collection of Irish literature, including rare editions of works by W.B. Yeats, Lady Gregory and their circle; Victorian literature, including the Graham and Hugh Greene Collections of Detective Fiction, the Horatio Alger Collection and a large collection of yellowbacks; works of contemporary Irish poets and Southern writers; the Mildred and Paul Bernard Seydel Collection of literature and history of Belgium; Confederate imprints; and French Revolution pamphlets. The manuscript collections include letters, diaries, and other papers of individuals (e.g. theologian John Wesley, journalist Ralph McGill, poets W.B. Yeats and James Dickey, U.S. Senators Sam Nunn and Wyche Fowler, civil rights activist Frances Pauley, and businessman and philanthropist Robert W. Woodruff) and organizations (e.g. records of the Georgia chapter of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union and the Atlanta YWCA). The collection focuses geographically on the South, especially Georgia, and is particularly strong in these areas: Southern Methodism, the Civil War, Southern literature and journalism, Georgia politics and business, women's history, civil rights and American communism. There is also a growing collection of Irish and British literary manuscripts (e.g. Ted Hughes and Seamus Heaney). Special Collections also houses Emory University publications, student publications, photographs, minutes, administrative reports, and other materials relating to the history of the university from the founding of Emory College in 1836 to the present.

Researchers may visit the Special Collections Department Monday through Friday 8:30-5:30; Saturdays 9-5:30. Hours are subject to change during holiday and inter-session periods. It is recommended that researchers contact the archives in advance to confirm information about the collections and business hours. Address inquiries to: Reference Archivist, Special Collections Department, Emory University, Robert W. Woodruff Library, Atlanta, GA 30322, 404-727-6887 (phone), 404-727-0053 (fax). We will also respond to inquiries via email:

libbdb@emory.edu. Researchers may also visit our World Wide Web site at the following address for further information about the department and its holdings:

http://www.cc.emory.edu/LIB/schome.htm

The following is a selective list of holdings relating to Mississippi and Louisiana.

JAMES APPLETON BLACKSHEAR, DIARIES, 1862-1867 [MICROFORM]; 4 ITEMS (ON 1 MICROFILM REEL).
James Appleton Blackshear, Confederate officer, taught school in GA and LA after the war. Blackshear documents his experiences in the Confederate Army and afterward, and gives his thoughts on slavery, soldiers, women, friends, books he read, finances, and news of the day. Microfilm only.

BOMAR FAMILY PAPERS, 1862-1870; 26 ITEMS.
Includes papers of Thomas H. Bomar (who served in the 38th GA Infantry in VA and was captured in 1864), William A. (who also served with the Confederate Army) and Amaryllis (who married Charles H. Killian, who served with the 15th MS Infantry). Includes correspondence from the Bomars' friend, Richard Walpole of the 15th MS Infantry, which discusses the expected attack on Vicksburg.

LEVI BROTHERTON, PAPERS, 1832-1919; 142 ITEMS.
Levi Brotherton was a Methodist missionary and clergyman in GA. Includes one letter from Levi's son James M. Brotherton (d. 1863) discussing the fortification of Vicksburg.

WILLIAM H. BROTHERTON, PAPERS, 1862-1908: .25 LINEAR FT. (CA. 50 ITEMS AND 1 REEL MICROFILM).
William H. Brotherton enlisted in the 39th Regiment, GA Infantry with his brother, James, in 1862. The brothers participated in the siege of Vicksburg (1863). Includes correspondence (1862-1866), and Confederate passes. Entire collection also available on microfilm.

SIDNEY CHAMPION, PAPERS, 1854-1865; .5 LINEAR FT. (CA 500 ITEMS).
Sidney S. Champion, a captain with Company I of the 28th MS Calvalry. Prior to that, Champion was a teacher and a planter living at Midway (later Champion Hill), near Clinton, MS. Includes typescripts of correspondence (1838, 1854-1865) between Champion and his wife, Matilda Montgomery Champion, and with their families; most concern the Civil War. Photostats of a register which lists slaves (by name, including ages and some occupations) and other belongings (1859), and a eulogy written for Champion (1868).

General note: Manuscript Department of the Duke University Library holds microfilm and typed transcripts of the Sidney S. Champion Papers.

WILLIAM AUGUSTUS CHUNN, LETTERS, 1837-1879; .25 LINEAR FT. (168 ITEMS).

William Augustus Chunn served in the GA State Troops (1861-1862) as a 2nd Lieutenant (Company I, 1st Regiment, 1st Brigade), and as a private in the GA Infantry (1862-1865; Co. I, 40th Regiment). He was stationed at Screven Point, near Savannah, GA, and in TN, KY, and MS, and was involved in the Cumberland Gap and Vicksburg Campaigns and surrendered at Greensboro, NC. Includes letters (1837-1869) between William Chunn and his wife, Lila Land Chunn. They describe William's experiences in the war (difficulties at Cumberland Gap with the Cherokee Allies, desertions, and the Vicksburg Siege) and the home and family life of Lila Chunn.

HENRY M. CRYDENWISE, LETTERS, 1861-1866; 165 ITEMS.

Henry M. Crydenwise was a Union soldier from Otsego County, NY. Crydenwise enlisted in the 90th Regiment, Company A of the NY State Volunteers. His regiment was stationed in LA in May, 1863 where it participated in the siege of Port Hudson. Crydenwise was later commissioned as Captain in the Corps D'Afrique, also known as the Louisiana Native Guards. His LA letters give full descriptions of the siege of Port Hudson and the duties and emotions involved in leading a black company.

FREDERIC E. DAVIS, PAPERS, 1860-1863; 69 ITEMS AND 1 REEL MICROFILM.

Frederic E. Davis, United States soldier and seaman, served as a soldier with the RI Volunteers, 4th Regiment, Company Q. (October, 1861), until he became a seaman (April, 1862) and served on various vessels (particularly the U.S. gunboats Lexington and Baron DeKalb) on the OH, MS, and other rivers in AR, LA, and MS. He was involved in preparations for the siege of Vicksburg. Includes correspondence, a diary, a journal, an obituary, photographs, and a muster roll. Most letters are from Davis to his family in Providence, RI, and describe activities on and off the vessels of the MS, conditions at sea, desertion of his fellow seamen, and preparations for the siege of Vicksburg. Collection also available on microfilm.

ANDREW J. EDGE, PAPERS, 1862-1864; CA. 78 ITEMS AND 1 MICROFILM REEL.

Andrew J. Edge, Baptist clergyman and Justice of the Peace, was a member of Company C, 52nd GA Infantry Regiment (1862-1865), and served in TN, GA, and MS where he was captured at Vicksburg (July, 1863). Correspondence (1862-1864) is between Edge and his wife, Alpha Daves (or Davis) Edge, and other family members, and relates to his Civil War experiences.

Reproduction note: 42 items of correspondence, 13 envelopes available on microfilm only.

CHARLES BETTS GALLOWAY, PAPERS, 1879-1910; 89 ITEMS.
Charles Betts Galloway was a minister in the MS Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South (1868; serving the cities of Jackson and Vicksburg the longest); edited the New Orleans CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE (1882-1886); became a bishop (1886); was a University of MS trustee (1882-1894) and a Vanderbilt University trustee (President of the Board, 1905-1909, and authored more than six books, including THE SOUTH AND THE NEGRO (1904). Correspondence is between Galloway and other southern Methodists, including bishops, ministers, and laymen (including publisher James D. Barbee); that with Bishop John C. Keener concerns the MS Conference; other letters concern the Church's "war claim" over the Civil War occupation of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South's publishing house, by Union troops.

JOHN A. HARRIS, PAPERS, 1854-1864 (BULK 1861-1864); CA. 42 ITEMS AND 1 MICROFILM REEL.
John A. Harris, Confederate soldier, served with Company D, 19th LA Infantry Regiment as a private in LA, MS, AL, TN, and GA. Harris apparently owned slaves and had a limited education. Includes letters written by Harris to his wife, Rebecca, and other family, and tell of camp conditions and his activities. Entire collection available on microfilm.

HONNOLL FAMILY, PAPERS, 1861-1865; 178 ITEMS.
Robert and Jane Honnoll of northeastern MS, were the parents of William B., Hugh L., Sarah Jane, and Cinda (Cindarella) Honnoll. During the Civil War, William (Billy) and Hugh Honnoll served in the 24th MS Infantry Regiment, Company D, Caledonia Rifles. rrespondence is between the Honnoll brothers and sisters, their relatives, and their friends, some of whom were serving in other regiments. Their letters discuss family, home, and military life, including illness and wounds, marches, food and clothes, morale, the enemy, officers, skirmishes and battles. The men participated in the battles of Corinth, MS (1862), Chickamauga (1863), Lookout Mountain (1863), and the Atlanta Campaign. Letters are written from Alabama, FL, GA, MS, and TN.

HUEY PIERCE LONG, COLLECTION, 1926-1938; 19 ITEMS.
Huey Long Pierce was the governor of LA (1928-1929) and U. S. senator (1930). He also organized the Share-Our-Wealth Society (1934) for which he had national support. Materials relate to Long's career and death. Correspondence is mainly related to his communication with Julian LaRose Harris of the Atlanta CONSTITUTION on the subject of "Potlikker and Cornpone" recipes. Some letters available as photocopies only.

WILLIAM M. PARKINSON, LETTERS, 1861-1863; .25 LINEAR FT. (47 ITEMS).
William M. Parkinson, Union soldier and miller, enlisted in the 11th IL Infantry, Company C. He served in MO, and west TN, and helped raise a company of African American troops with whom he served as captain (1863). He drilled the company in the area of Lake Providence and Milliken's Bend, LA, and died of typhoid fever he contracted there. Includes letters, most written by Parkinson, discussing camp life, troop movements, drills and skirmishes, recruitment and training of an African American regiment, and his impression of the South. Entire collection available as photocopies only.

ALFRED A. RIGBY, DIARY, 1862-1865 [MICROFORM]; 1 ITEM (ON 1 MICROFILM REEL).
Alfred A. Rigby, teacher and Union soldier, served with the 24th IA Infantry in IA, VA, AR, MS, and GA. Diary (August 12, 1862-December 31, 1865) of approximately 600 pages comments on Rigby's activities in IA military camps, travel down the MS River, foraging parties, traitors, skirmishes and battles, slavery, troop leadership, and Southern women. Entire collection available on microfilm only.

HENRY W. ROBINSON, LETTERS, 1862-1863 [MICROFORM]; 50 ITEMS (ON 1 MICROFILM REEL).
Henry W. Robinson, Lawrenceville, GA, blacksmith and Confederate soldier, served in the 42nd GA Infantry Regiment. He died at Vicksburg, MS, on 12 April 1863 after participating in the fight at Chickasaw Bayou (1862). Letters are from Robinson to his wife, Elizabeth concern his family, his morale, and his desire for a furlough. Reproduction note: Entire collection available on microfilm only.

CHARLES BROWN THURSTON, PAPERS, 1861-1869; .25 LINEAR FT. (CA. 305 ITEMS).
Charles Brown Thurston, printer, bookkeeper, and Union soldier served with the 13th ME Infantry, and was stationed at Camp Beauford (Augusta, ME); Ship Island, MS; Fort Jackson and Fort St. Philip, and New Orleans, LA. Thurston commanded two work details of African American troops in the construction of levees near Donaldsonville, LA. Correspondence, drawings, and a bound volume. Letters from Thurston to his family describe his life as a soldier, his regiment, the armies nearby, the ships passing, activity in New Orleans, and his work with the African American troops. Two drawings are of Fort Jackson and Fort St. Philip.

W. ORVILLE TIFT, PAPERS, 1862-1863 [MICROFORM]; 9 ITEMS (ON 1 MICROFILM REEL).
W. Orville Tift, Union soldier, served with the 26th CT Infantry. Letters (November 1862-June 1863) are written from Camp Buckingham in Brooklyn, NY,

from the steamer EMPIRE CITY, which took Tift's unit to LA, and from Camp Parapet, LA. Tift describes army life in both camps and on board the steamer and describes passage up the MS River to Baton Rouge, a "Negro meeting" he attended, picket duty, a Zouave camp, and a Baton Rouge hospital. Entire collection available on microfilm only.

UNION MISCELLANY COLLECTION; 4 BOXES, 1 BOUND VOLUME, 1 MEDAL.
Includes a scrapbook (12 May 1863-28 December 1864) kept by Eli C. Kinsley while he was provost marshal and judge in Lafourche Parish, LA, 1863. Items include official orders, circulars, letters, accounts and clippings concerning army administration and the government of the freedmen. A few pieces relate to Kinsley's duties as assistant provost marshal of MA at Vicksburg in 1864, as well as the 1863 seige.

GEORGE LOVICK PIERCE WREN, DIARIES, 1858-1864; 5 ITEMS.
George Lovick Pierce Wren, Confederate soldier, served with Company G, 8th LA Infantry Regiment. After the war, he was a teacher in Claiborne Parish, LA. Contains a diary (1863-1864) mentioning action in MS, GA, SC, and NC; refers to hardships and religious revivals among the soldiers; and describes his injury, hospitalization, and capture, as well as conditions in prison.

SARAH LOIS WADLEY, PAPERS, 1859-1906 (BULK 1859-1886) [MICROFORM]; CA. 7 ITEMS (1 MICROFILM REEL).
Sarah Lois Wadley was the daughter of William Morrill Wadley (1866-1882), a president of the Central of Georgia Railway, and Rebecca Barnard E. Wadley. In 1858 the Wadley family and its slaves moved to Amite, LA. In 1860 they were in Vicksburg, MS, and in 1861 they moved to Onachita Parish, LA where they remained until after the Civil War. In her diary (8 August 1859 - 4 February 1866; with brief entries to 1886), Sarah Wadley describes her pre-Civil War travels in the North and her reactions to events throughout the war. Entire collection available on microfilm only.

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MSS 20 LEMUEL P. CONNER PAPERS, 1861-1936. 13 ITEMS.
In letters to his wife in Natchez, Lemuel P. Conner, delegate to the LA secession convention in Baton Rouge and New Orleans, describes the passage of the ordinance of secession, the election of delegates to the secession convention in Montgomery, and the reaction to secession by the people of Baton Rouge and New Orleans. The papers contain an original draft of LA's ordinance of secession, with an attached letter (1936) by Conner's son on its history. Among the other items is correspondence between Conner and the family of Judge John Perkins,

a drafter of the ordinance. Those interested in the Conner family may want to consult Mss 3, which contains correspondence between Lemuel P. Connor and President Theodore Roosevelt.

MSS 25 MISSISSIPPI BAR ASSOCIATION RECORDS, 1821-1940. 3 ITEMS.
The collection contains the minute book of the MS Bar Association (1821-1825). In the minute book are articles of organization, a list of fees for services, procedures for elections and admission of new members, minutes, and the farewell address of the association's president and founder, Edward Turner. Also included is a printed broadside on Turner's career dated 30 January, 1840.

MSS 44 SLAVERY IN LOUISIANA PAPERS, 1785-1860. 88 ITEMS
Pre-statehood slavery material includes items on the slave trade with Africa (1794) and on runaway slaves (1785, 1811). French, Spanish, English.

MSS 49 C. B. CHURCHILL AND COMPANY COLLECTION, 1862-1863. 2 ITEMS.
This collection contains a printed circular dated 17 March, 1862 asking planters to yield their iron bells to Lemuel P. Conner to be recast into cannons for the war effort and a letter dated 2 February 1863 from C. B. Churchill and Company to Major L. P. Conner concerning non-payment for bells delivered to him.

MSS 59 WILLIAM CHARLES COLE CLAIBORNE COLLECTION, 1775-1817. 10 ITEMS.
In addition to letters from Claiborne, this collection includes the appointments of Shepherd Brown as judge in St. Helena Parish, Pierre Derbigny as official interpreter of French and Spanish for the U. S. Government in LA, and Thomas C. Nicholls as justice of the peace in the parish of Orleans. Also included are a bank check signed by Claiborne, Claiborne's appointment as governor of Louisiana, and a passport and marriage license authorized by Claiborne. French, English.

MSS 66 WILLIAM H. TEGARDEN PAPERS, 1839-1869. 7 ITEMS.
This collection contains four land grants issued by the United States to Dr. William H. Tegarden on 19 March 1839 for property in Chocchuma, MS.

MSS 79 SPANISH COLONIAL LAND GRANT PAPERS, 1767-1834. 21 ITEMS.
This small thematic collection of records about the Attakapas, Baton Rouge, Bayou Plaquemine, Lafourche, Natchez, Natchitoches, Opelousas, Orleans, and Ouachita districts includes an inventory of structures on the German Coast and information about Indians, free people of color, slaves, and women. The collec-

tion consists of petitions for land grants, conferred grants, and certified copies of acts of sale and land grants. Also included is a request by Felipe de Bastrop for an exchange of property. Spanish.

MSS 91 SPANISH COLONIAL LAND SALE APPROVAL, 1804 NOVEMBER 8. 1 ITEM.
In a royal order of 29 May, 1804 from Juan Ventura Morales, Aranjuez, to the Ministry of the Royal Treasury, Morales states that the king [Carlos IV] has approved the sale of royal lands in the district of Baton Rouge. Original copy was signed by Gilberto Leonard and Manuel Armirez, New Orleans. Spanish.

MSS 94 CLAUDE PERRIN VICTOR PAPERS, 1802-1804. 38 ITEMS.
General Victor had been appointed captain general of French LA, but did not assume the position because of the sale of LA to the United States. The papers include Victor's correspondence with other French officials including Louis Alexandre Berthier (minister of war), Denis Decrés (minsister of the marine and the colonies), and Pierre Clément Laussat (colonial prefect of LA). Particular detail is paid to the LA Expedition, which was scheduled to sail for LA on 27 November, 1802, though it never departed. French. Published guide available from the Historic New Orleans Collection.

MSS 98 LOUISIANA COMMERCIALS MEMORANDA, 1782 APRIL 11. 2 ITEMS.
These memoranda concern LA's trade and commercial ties with Spain and France, the trade policies of Bernardo de Gálvez, recommendations for commercial reform, and smuggling between LA and Mexico. French.

MSS 106 ALFRED R. WAUD PAPERS, 1860-1887. 210 ITEMS.
Noted Civil War artist and book illustrator, Alfred R. Waud, worked as special correspondent for the New York Illustrated News and for Harper's Weekly. These papers include Civil War notes made in the field by Waud, as well as a series of descriptive notes by artist William Waud, Alfred's brother, concerning the capture of New Orleans, the battle for Port Hudson, and the river campaign. Associated pictorial collections include drawings by Waud of the Natchez area and prints after these sketches.

MSS 123 B. SCHULER LETTER, 22 AUGUST 1863. 1 ITEM.
In this letter to his family in WI, Schuler, a Union soldier, describes a trip down the MS River from Vicksburg to Carrollton, LA aboard the Autocrat. He also recounts his tours of the occupied cities of Natchez and New Orleans.

MSS 125 PIERRE CLÉMENT LAUSSAT PAPERS, 1769-1835. 642 ITEMS.
The Laussat papers relate to the retrocession of LA from Spain to France and the subsequent transfer of the territory to the United States. Included are correspondence, administrative and fiscal reports, and relevant documents of the Spanish colonial administration gathered by Laussat (1756-1835), the French colonial prefect at the time of the transfer. French, Spanish, English. Published guide available from the Historic New Orleans Collection.

MSS 126 MEMOIRES SUR MA VIE, Á MON FILS, PENDANT LES ANNÉES 1803 ET SUIVANTES, QUE J'AI REMPLI DES FONCTIONS PUBLIQUES, SAVOIR À LA LOUISIANE, EN QUALITÉ DE COMMISSAIRE DU GOUVERNEMENT FRANÇAIS POUR LA REPRISE DE POSSESSION DE CETTE COLONIE ET POUR SA REMISE AUX ETATS-UNIS, 1831. 2 VOLUMES.
In his memoirs, Laussat discusses life in colonial LA, the announcement of the LA Purchase by the United States, his role as commissioner for the retrocession on LA from Spain to France, and his role as commissioner for the transfer of LA to the United States. French. Published guide available from the Historic New Orleans Collection.

MSS 127 MISSION POLITIQUE Á LA LOUISIANE, LA MARTINIQUE ET LA GUYANE EN 1803 ET ANNÉES SUIVANTES. TOM. 1., 1803 JANUARY 8-1804 APRIL. 1 VOLUME.
This volume contains Laussat's notes on his mission in LA which were later used as the basis for his published memoirs. French. Published guide available from the Historic New Orleans Collection.

MSS 132 ROBERT R. LIVINGSTON LETTER, 1803 APRIL 3. 1 ITEM.
Robert Livingston, U.S. Minister to France, informs Secretary of State James Madison that Napoleon Bonaparte, First Consul of France, is unexpectedly willing to sell the entire LA Territory to the United States. The letter details the evasive tactics used by the French foreign minister, Charles Maurice de Talleyrand, and the French finance minister, François, marquis de Barbé-Marbois, in negotiating the sale.

MSS 138 WILLIAM LOVELACE FOSTER PAPERS, 1855-1970. 88 ITEMS.
William Lovelace Foster was ordained a Baptist minister in 1853. After marrying, he moved to MS. He enlisted in the Confederate army in 1862 and was appointed regimental chaplain of the 35th MS Volunteer Infantry in 1863. Materials include letters concerning theology, plantation life, and politics, and fifty-two sermons. There is a seventy-nine page day-by-day account of the siege of Vicksburg which describes in detail the plight of the wounded soldiers, to whom Foster ministered daily, and the miserable conditions the civilian population endured.

MSS 156 JEFFERSON DAVIS LETTER, 1851 SEPTEMBER 225. 1 ITEM.
Two days after resigning his seat in the United States Senate, Jefferson Davis writes to R. P. Anderson requesting that Anderson make arrangements for the delivery of his papers and books to Hurricane Landing Warren County, MS. Davis also mentions his bad health. The letter was written for Davis by a third party.

MSS 171 BOULIGNY-BALDWIN FAMILY PAPERS, 1710-1863. 148 ITEMS.
Most of these papers concern the career of Spanish soldier and administrator Franciso Bouligny (1736-1800). They include official and personal correspondence, appointments, commissions, and a version of Bouligny's 1776 "Memoria" in which he proposes various ways to develop the province of LA. French, Spanish, English.

MSS 178 REPORTS ON THE CESSION OF LOUISIANA TO SPAIN BY FRANCE, 1758-1759. 2 VOLUMES.
The first report, by Julien de Arriaga, is divided into four sections-the discovery of the region, French activity in the province, the differences between Spanish and French activity in the province, the differences between Spanish and French political organization, and FL's governance and boundaries. The second is a report on the actual state of affairs by Santiago Disdier. It details the strategic importance of the MS River, New Orleans, English Turn, Pointe Coupée, the posts of Natchez and Arkansas, and the presidio of Natchitoches. Spanish.

MSS 184 JOURNAL DE LA NAVIGATION DE LA FRÉGATE DU ROY L'OPALE, 1758-1759. 1 VOLUME.
Captained by the chevalier de Plas, the Opale sailed from La Rochelle to bring military reinforcements and provisions to LA. The shipment had been delayed by the early stages of the French and Indian War. The log book contains detailed information about the ship's measurements, number of soldiers carried on board, the officers' roster, and an account of the voyage. French.

MSS 230 JAMES WILKINSON LETTERS, 1790-1810. 4 ITEMS.
Prior to his term as governor of the LA Territory, James Wilkinson served as co-commissioner, with William C. C. Claiborne, at the 1803 transfer of LA from France to the United States. In these letters Wilkinson describes his part in the transfer and the constitutionality of congressional investigations of nonimpeachable officials.

MSS 236 DAVIS FAMILY PAPERS, 1868-1906. 23 ITEMS.
The Davis Family Papers consist primarily of letters from Varina Howell Davis, wife of Jefferson Davis, to David Pell Secor of CT. The letters provide insight into the life of Varina Davis after the Civil War. She mentions the social activities of her daughter, Winnie, and the state of her family's health. Letters written in 1889 originate from NY and concern the dilapidated state of Beauvoir House, her failing health, and her financial situation.

MSS 238 GEORGE A. PIERCE COLLECTION, 1862-1866. 96 ITEMS.
Colonel George A. Pierce served as inspector quartermaster, Department of the Gulf, United States Army, during the Civil War. This collection includes letters, official correspondence, and financial documents relating to his service, as well as an extract from a journal of an unidentified Union soldier that gives a first hand account of the seige of Vicksburg.

MSS 241 O'BRIEN-LASERE FAMILY PAPERS, 1634-1909. 41 ITEMS.
These papers consist of land titles, acts of sale, and legal documents relating to the O'Brien and LaSere families in New Orleans and Shieldsborough, MS. The plantation acts of sale contain detailed inventories of the properties, including buildings, livestock, and slaves. French, Spanish, English.

MSS 244 MISSISSIPPI RIVER FLOOD OF 1927 INSURANCE COLLECTION, 1927. 83 ITEMS.
The bulk of this collection consists of reports and bulletins regarding the status of certain cities and towns in MS and the potential hazards caused by the 1927 flood. Correspondence between New Orleans insurance companies and their principal holders in the flooded areas of MS is also included.

MSS 249 TOBIN FAMILY PAPERS, 1860-1943. 327 ITEMS.
The Tobin Family Papers consist of financial records relating to the building and maintenance of John W. Tobin's steamboats and correspondence pertaining to his activities as a steamboat captain and owner. The papers also contain family correspondence, photographs, legal documents, and the letters of John Frank Pargoud, a close friend of Tobin's.

MSS 250 JOHN WILLIAM TOBIN COLLECTION, 1854-1938. 690 ITEMS.
John William Tobin, the son of a wealthy AL planter, settled in New Orleans in 1846; he became a successful steamboat captain , who owned or operated at least sixty boats during his lifetime. Tobin's papers include family and business correspondence, business documents, financial records relating to the building and maintenance of Tobin steamers, canceled checks, and household receipts. Antebellum material includes statements for supplies, fixtures, and furnishings for the steamer J. Frank Pargoud.

MSS 255 WILKINSON-STARK FAMILY PAPERS, 1799-1978. 150 ITEMS.
The correspondence of Horatio Stark, a soldier at various forts on the MS River, describes life on the frontier.

MSS 268 ACT OF THE ROYAL FRENCH ADMINISTRATION CONCERNING THE COMPANY OF THE INDIES IN LOUISIANA, 1717-1771. 25 ITEMS.
These acts of the French royal administration primarily concern the Company of the Indies in LA, with details about its establishment, securing of trade and land rights, and provisions for settlers. French.

MSS 306 SPANISH LOUISIANA COLLECTION, 1769-1803. 18 ITEMS.
Documenting various aspects of life under Spanish rule, this collection contains accounts receivable, fee schedules, auction announcements, invoices, letters, proclamations, regulations concerning land concessions, and requests for land surveys. Andrés Almonester y Roxas, Baron de Carondelet, Juan Ventura Morales, Alejandro O'Reilly, and Pedro Pedesclaux are among major Spanish figures represented. French, Spanish.

MSS 310 LUÍS DE UNZAGA ORDER, 1773 SEPTEMBER 11. 1 ITEM.
Unzaga's order requires all residents of the province to submit to the Cabildo or commander of each district a report on the number of slaves owned. Provisions for the payment of fines and treatment of runaway slaves are also discussed. French.

MSS 315 FRENCH LOUISIANA DOCUMENTS, 1729-1765. 5 ITEMS.
These French colonial documents relate to economics, medicine, Indians, slavery, and social conditions in LA. French.

MSS 328 LAND TENURE RECORD COLLECTION, 1793-1836. 5 ITEMS.
Surveys prepared by Pierre L'Hermite and Andre LeSage concern East Baton Rouge Parish, Pointe Coupée Parish and the Natchez District. Included in this collection are a mortgage of Grand Encore plantation (on the Red River near Natchitoches) by John Sibley to Joseph Saul (1810), and a deed of conveyance for land in the Natchez District from John Brady to Nicholas Raab (1793). French, English.

MSS 341 ALEXANDER MILLER DAYBOOK, 1810-1814. 1 VOLUME.
The day book of Alexander Miller, a carpenter and builder in Natchez, records his work on the residences of James Andrews and of John Linton, a prominent planter of the region.

MSS 350 EVALUATION OF LUÍS VILEMONT REPORT, 1799 MAY 19. 1 ITEM.

Luís Vilemont served the French and then the Spanish government in colonial Louisiana. A naturalist, he made trips to VA, PA, Upper LA, Canada, and NM for the Spanish crown. Vilemont sent three reports to the secretary of the Indies outlining his suggestions on finances, Indians, and immigration to LA. Francisco Requena and Bernardo Yriarte were Spanish officials assigned to evaluate Vilemont's reports. They concurred with Vilemont that Indians on the colony's borders should be weaned from dependence on the United States and discouraged from engaging in commerce with British subjects. They urged Spain to protect the otter-skin industry and to use LA as a buffer against Anglo-American ambitions in Mexico. Vilemont's suggestions were not acted upon by the Spanish. Spanish.

MSS 351 LETTER FROM FRANCISCO REQUENA TO MIGUEL CAYETANO SOLER, 1799 MAY 19. 1 ITEM.

Miguel Cayetano Soler was treasurer of Spain during the late eighteenth century. Requena's letter expresses the concern of Spanish officials about the encroachment of Anglo-Americans in LA and the interest of the American government in the territory. Spanish.

MSS 352 DÉCLARATION DU ROY CONÇERNANT LES ORDRES RELIGIEUX ET GENS DE MAIN MORTE ÉTABLIS AUX COLONIES FRANÇOIS DE L'AMÉRIQUE, 1743 NOVEMBER 25. 1 ITEM.

The document's importance rests in its twenty-three articles detailing the governance of religious orders and other tax-exempt organizations in the French colonies, particularly in LA. Issued only a few months after Pierre Rigaud, marquis de Baudreuil-Cavagnial, replaced Bienville as governor, the regulations reflect Vaudreuil's stringent Catholicism. He demands the strict observance of all religious regulations. The document notes that the Catholic church can not accept slaves as part of bequests, nor can it receive money derived from the sale of slaves. French.

MSS 355 OBSERVATIONS SUR LA COLONIE DE LA LOUISIANE, 1796-1802. 1 VOLUME.

This manuscript copy of James Pitot's original account of the last years of Spain's domination of LA and the lower MS Valley is a commentary on and an analysis of Spanish policies. Pitot, a leading French businessman in New Orleans, provides information on social customs, race relations, police administration, judicial procedures, agriculture, Indian trade, religion, commercial relations between the United States and Spanish LA, and an analytical topography of the area. Published as Observations on the Colony of Louisiana from 1796 to 1802 by James Pitot (Baton Rouge: Louisiana State University Press for the Historic New Orleans Collection, 1979). French.

MSS 419 ANTE-BELLUM LETTER COLLECTION, 1823 JANUARY 14-1857 OCTOBER 26. 31 ITEMS.
This collection consists of Miscellaneous letters written during the ante-bellum period. Topics include prices and sales of cotton and sugar, the Cuban Revolution, and the New Orleans and Nashville Railroad. There is a letter dated 1846 May 22 in which Anthony Sinclair informs George Kestner and Henry D. Warrington of a family member who enlisted in the army in Natchez but deserted in New Orleans. Another letter dated 28 September 1851 by H. Hink mention the yellow fever epidemic in St. Francisville.

MSS 433 BEVERLY PLANTATION JOURNAL, 1827-1853. 1 ITEM.
This journal was kept by John Newton Helm, owner of Beverly Plantation near Natchez, MS. The journal is sporadic, but at times provides very detailed coverage. Information in the journal includes education, overseers, finances, plantation activities, and slaves. The records concerning slaves include a birth and death register, information on their probable ages, and records of purchases.

MSS 465 LEONARD V. HUBER COLLECTION, 1802-1960. 969 ITEMS.
The Leonard V. Huber Collection contains steamboat freight bills, advertisements, billheads, pilots' licenses, theater programs, invoices, death notices, and research notes. The collection also a printed list of steamboats on the western rivers in 1843, giving the name of the boat, the year in which it was built, and the tonnage. Associated pictorial collections include a study collection of copy photographs relating to the shipping industry and prints showing views of the Natchez area.

UC MSS 16 ANDREW JACKSON EPHEMERA COLLECTION, 1815-1845. 3 ITEMS.
Included in this collection is a printed invitation to a ball, "Honor to the Brave" given at the Southern Exchange, Natchez, on 15 January, 1840 at which General Andrew Jackson was to be the distinguished guest.

82-7-L MAJOR HENDERSON LETTER, 7 JANUARY 1807. 1 ITEM.
Major Henderson, Natchez, writes to Colonel A. Morehouse in New Orleans, informing him of the expected arrival of Colonel Burr in Natchez and of a land deal he is negotiating.

85-1-L KORNFELD NEWSPAPER COLLECTION, 1855-1862. 9 VOLUMES.
This newspaper collection of Robert Kornfeld includes issues of The Natchez Daily Courier, The Semi-Weekly Mississippian, The Mississippi Free Traders, Natchez Gazette, and the Mississippi State Gazette.

88-37-L MARCEL GIRAUD, HISTORIRE DE LA LOUISIANA FRANCAISE, TOME V, "LA COMPAGNIE DES INDES," 1723-1731, CA. 1985. 1 ITEM.
A xerox copy of Giraud's typed manuscript for the fifth volume of his history of French LA which contains a study of the Company of the Indies and the beginnings of urban society in New Orleans and the attempts to colonize interior LA, especially Natchez and Illinois.

95-35-L DUNCAN F. KENNER LETTER, 1864 FEBRUARY 11. 1 ITEM.
Diplomat, planter, politician, and Confederate minister plenipotentiary, Duncan F. Kenner, comments in this letter to Lemuel P. Connner on his relation to his former slaves, the strength of the Confederate forces and the possibility of defeat.

Microforms

CORRESPONDANCE A L'ARRIVÉE EN PROVENANCE DE LA LOUISIANE, C^{13} SERIES, 1678-1819. 68 REELS.
Composed of the sub-series C^{13A} 1-54. C^{13B} 1, and C^{13C} 1-5 from the section colonies, it contains primarily correspondence received by the secretaire d'etat de la Marine from LA. While some nineteenth-century correspondence is in the collection, the majority is pre-1767. This microfilm is a basic tool for the creation of a profile of the French LA colony. The guide to this material is Correspondance a l'arrivée en provenance de la Louisiane by Marie-Antoinette Menier, Etienne Taillemite and Gilberte de Forges (1976, 1984).

ATLAS MOREAU DE SAINT-MÉRY, 1730-1845. 1 REEL.
Méderic Moreau de Saint-Méry (1750-1819), a distinguished jurist, administrator, and politician, assembled a vast collection of documents, maps, and plans that was acquired by the French government between 1817 and 1840. There are four maps and thirty-six plans of eighteenth-century LA, primarily the lower MS River valley and the Gulf Coast.

DÉPÔT DES FORTIFICIONES DES COLONIES, LOUISIANE, 1698-1768. 1 REEL.
A collection of 141 items containing documents, maps, and plans concerning the Balize, Biloxi, Dauphin Island, Mobile, Natchez, New Orleans, and the MS River.

ARCHIVES DU CONSULAT DE FRANCE À LA NOUVELLE-ORLÉANS, 1817-1918. 22 REELS.
This is microfilm of the archive of the New Orleans consul general housed in the Centre des Archives Diplomatiques in Nantes, France and consists of series

A, volumes 1-137. The consul general office in New Orleans served as the regional office to which French representatives in AL, AR, FL, GA, KY, LA, MS, MO, TN, and TX reported.

SANTO DOMINGO PAPERS, LOUISIANA, 1757-1810. 141 REELS.
Legajos (bundles of documents) 2529-2689 make up these papers which contain information on commerce, smuggling, religion, immigration, diplomatic relations, financial affairs, and official correspondence useful to ethnohistorians studying native tribes as well as students of social, political, economic and military history of LA. Forming part of the records of the Audiencia of Santo Domingo, the papers reflect the subordination in judicial matters of LA to that governing body, hence the name Santo Domingo papers. The guide to this microfilm is Catálogo de Documentos del Archivo General de Indias, Sección V, Govierno, Audiencia de Santo Domingo sobre la Epoca Española de la Luisiana by José de la Peña y Cámara, Ernest J. Burrus, S.J., Charles Edwards O'Neill, S.J., and María Teresa García Fernández (Seville and New Orleans 1968).

CUBAN PAPERS, LOUISIANA, 1762-1824. 990 REELS.
After the transfer of LA to France and the subsequent sale twenty days later to the United States, Spanish authorities moved their archives in LA to Mobile and Pensacola. In the Adams-Onís Treaty of 1819 Spain ceded FL to the United States; the archives were then moved to the Archivo General de Cuba; in the 1888 they were moved to the Archive of the Indies in Seville where they were named Papeles de la Isla de Cuba reflecting their provenance. The following legajos are available for use: 1-227B, 488-560, 562-706, 772, 830, 1054-1055, 1109, 1137, 1145-1147, 1232-1233, 1393-1394, 1425, 1440-1444, 1524-1525, 1533, 2317-2321, 2335-2338, 2343, and 2357-72. Within these legajos are correspondence between the governors of LA and FL and the commandants of the various districts (Attakapas, Baton Rouge, the German Coast, Mobile, Natchez, Nueva Madrid, Pensacola, Punta Corta, St. Louis, and Ste. Genevieve), census records, economic data ranging from reports on the economy and account books to maritime information, and personnel records of the colony.

FONDO FLORIDAS,1716-1880. 27 REELS.
The Fondo Floridas are the papers that remained in Havana when the majority of Spanish records were transferred to the Archive of the Indies, Seville, in 1888. A portion of the administrative records of the Spanish colonial administration of La and Fl, the Fondo Floridas include royal orders, correspondence, and financial records. The collection is comprised of twenty-one legajos.

MAPS AND PLANS FROM DIVERSE SECTIONS OF THE ARCHIVES OF THE INDIES, 1580-1813. 1 REEL.
A collection of maps and plans relevant to FL and LA, the older items relate to FL; however, the majority concern LA. The preoccupations of Spanish LA are reflected in the plans of fortifications, hospitals, and storehouses. Catálgog de Mapas y Planos de la Florida y Luisiana by Julio González (1979) serves as a guide to this microfilm.

HOJAS DE SERVICIO MILITARES DE FLORIDA Y LUISIANA, 1789-1815. 2 REELS.
This collection of personnel records of the Spanish militia in LA and FL contains a synopsis of each individual's military career. Vital statistics and comments on qualifications are also included.

LOUISIANA DOCUMENTS FROM THE BIBLIOTECA NACIONAL, 1724-1801. 3 REELS.
An artificial collection concerning various aspects of Spanish administrative policies in LA as reflected in attitudes toward slavery, military matters, religion, commerce, shipping, and the struggle against nature. The material on these reels is described in Julian Paz's Catálogo de Manuscritos de América existentes en la Biblioteca Nacional (1933).

LOUISIANA DOCUMENTS FROM THE BIBLIOTECA DE PALACIO REAL, 1755-1782. 2 REELS.
A small artificial collection of documents with the general theme of commerce in LA and political reflections on the Spanish colony. The material is described in the catalogue of Jesús Domínguez Bordona, Manuscritos de América (1935).

LOUISIANA DOCUMENTS FROM THE MUSEO NAVAL, 1766-1830. 1 REEL.
United by the themes of navigation, boundary lines, commerce and descriptions of Spanish colonial LA is this small collection of items from the Museo Naval.

LOUISIANA DOCUMENTS FROM THE SERVICIO HISTORICO MILITAR, 1720-1824. 4 REELS.
These four reels represent the basic holdings of the Servicio Histórico Militar concerning LA, the records primarily concern defense-related matters, boundary questions, reaction to the LA Purchase , and West FL.

LOUISIANA DOCUMENTS FROM THE REAL ACADEMIA DE LA HISTORIA,1785-1809. 1 REEL.
The collection Manuscritos sobre América comprises eight bound volumes of eighteenth and early nineteenth century documents. The guide to this material

is Catálogo de la Coleccion "Manuscritos sobre América" de la Real Academia de la Historia (1978) by Remedios Contreras.

MAPS AND PLANS FROM DIVERSE SPANISH ARCHIVES, 1724-1818. 1 REEL.

This is a collection of maps and plans concerning LA and the Gulf Coast assembled from the following archives: Biblioteca de Cataluña, Biblioteca Nacional, Archivo General de Simancas, Museo Naval, Servicio Histórico Militar, Servicio Geográfico del Ejército, and the Archivo del Ministerio de Asuntos Exteriores.

RECORDS OF THE DIOCESE OF LOUISIANA AND THE FLORIDAS, 1576-1803. 12 REELS.

The records of the Diocese of LA and the Floridas form a part of a larger group of papers concerning the Archdiocese of New Orleans up to 1897. While the earliest records date to 1576, the majority of the documents in this microfilm edition cover the years 1786-1803. Guide to the Microfilm Edition of the Records of the Diocese of Louisiana and the Floridas, 1576-1803 (1976) by Thomas T. McAvoy and Lawrence Bradley serves as the calendar to the collection.

RECORD GROUP 56: GENERAL RECORDS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY; TREASURY DEPARTMENT PAPERS RELATING TO THE FINANCING OF THE LOUISIANA PURCHASE, (T712). 1 REEL.

This collection of documents concerning the purchase of LA includes papers of Secretary of the Treasury Albert Gallatin; Thomas Jefferson; The Baring Company of London; the Hope Company of Amsterdam; François, marquis de Barbé-Marbois; and Robert Livingston.

RECORD GROUP 59: GENERAL RECORDS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE; DISPATCHES FROM UNITED STATES CONSULS IN NEW ORLEANS, 1798-1807, (T225). 1 REEL.

These records include imprints; census records; an index to the outgoing correspondence of Daniel Clark, consul of the United States to the port of New Orleans and copies of selected correspondence of Spanish and American officials.

RECORD GROUP 49: RECORDS OF THE BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT; BOUND RECORDS OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE RELATING TO PRIVATE LAND CLAIMS IN LOUISIANA, 1767-1892, (M1382). 8 REELS.

These records were accumulated by Division D (Private Land Claims) of the former General Land Office. Although the majority of the claims relate to the present state of LA, some concern land in AL, MS, and MO. Private land claims are considered to be those based on grants, purchases, or settlements made be-

fore 1803. The records are bound according to the board of land commissioners or land commissioner, land office, and location or type of claim, and include transcriptions of French, Spanish, and British documents.

LOUISIANA LAND SURVEYS, 1787-1827. 6 REELS.
This collection of over one thousand surveyors' drawings, certifications, and notes has been cited in the past by a variety of titles, such as "Trudeau Papers" and "Spanish Land Grant Papers." The surveys by Guillermo Dunbar, Vicente Pintado, Carlos Trudeau, Juan Pedro Walker and thirty-two other suveyors cover a large portion of the state of Louisiana and the Spanish Natchez District. Indexed by date, location, surveyor, and names of land owners (grantees as well as owners of adjacent lands) the surveys are divided into the following series:

Alpha-numerical, 1786-1803, 309 items.
Natchez-Bouligny, 1786-1798, 247 items.
Natchez-Canonge, 1787-1797, 69 items.
Natchez-Pedesclaux, 1789-1793, 5 items.
Natchez-Undocketed, 1787-1801, 17 items.
Natchez-Bound Volume, 1788-1797 1 volume (81 surveys).
Various Surveys, 1788-1802, 50 items.
Trudeau Field Survey Book, 1800, 1 volume (39 surveys).
Bound Volume-Oversize, 1818-1823, 1 volume (92 surveys).
Le Sage Surveys, 1819-1824, 116 items.
Rapides Parish, 1819-1821, 19 items.
Feliciana Parish, 1818, 16 items.
St. James Parish, 1821-1827, 1 volume (23 surveys).

LOUISIANA LAND SURVEYS FROM THE CLEMENTS LIBRARY, 1787-1803. 1 REEL.
This collection of 148 land grants was acquired by William L. Clements in 1921 and donated to the University of Michigan as part of his extensive collection of Americana. Grants are for land in the Ascension, Attakapas, Baton Rouge, Tchoupitoulas, Concordia, Feliciana, Galveztown, Natchez, Opelousas, Pointe Coupée, Rapides, St. Berndard, St. Charles, and Valenzuela areas. The collection provides information about persons mentioned in the Louisiana Land Surveys. Louisiana and Mississippi Lands by Winston de Ville (Ville Platte: Evangeline Genealogical and Historical Society, 1985) is a guide to this microfilm edition.

MICROFILM OF COLLECTIONS AT OTHER UNITED STATES REPOSITORIES AVAILABLE AT THE WILLIAMS RESEARCH CENTER.
Ayer Manuscripts Collection from the Newberry Library, ca. 1722-1726. 1 reel.
James Wilkinson Papers at the Chicago Historical Society, 1764-1823. 2 reels.

Southern Women and Their Families in the 19th Century: Papers and Diaries, Series A, Holdings of the Southern Historical Collection, UNC-Chapel Hill, Part 4: Nicholas Philip Trist Papers, 1765-1903.
Plantation records from the Department of Archives, Louisiana State University, 1687-1900. 423 microfiche
Confederate Imprints, 1861-1865, 144 reels.

Maps

The map collection deals primarily with southeast LA and New Orleans, but also includes a selection of early maps of the New World and maps representing northern LA along the MS River. Several collections of copies of plats and maps executed under the auspices of the Surveyor General of LA and the Department of the Interior cover the northern portion of the state including Cameron Parish, dating from the middle of the nineteenth century to the mid-twentieth century. Other nineteenth and twentieth century atlases cover the MS River region, including the areas near Natchez and Vicksburg.

Highlights include:

1947.1 i-iv "Chart of the Lower Mississippi River..."
c. 1858, by Marie Adrien Persac, published by Benjamin Moore Norman. Lithograph with watercolor. River chart showing plantations and landowners between New Orleans and Natchez.

1959.201.25 i,ii "Hardee's New Geographical and Statistical Official Map..."
1895, by William J. Hardee, published by Rand, McNally, & Co.
Shows cross sections of the MS River at several locations, including Natchez and Vicksburg, and records the river depth and levee height.

1970.2.1-26 "Atlas of Fortifications"
1814, watercolors by Barthelmy Lafon
Includes a plan of the city and fort of Natchez.

1976.67 "Detail Charts of the Lower Mississippi River from Mouth of the Ohio River to Head of Passes, La. in Eighty Three Sheets"
published by the MS River Commission, Julius Bien, photolithographer, completed in 1894
Chart number 56 shows the river at Natchez, showing river depth and a map of the city.

1984.205.1 "A Journey In North America"
1924 reprint by publisher O. Lange of the 1826 atlas by George Henri Victor Collot, delineator, and Arthur Bertrand, distributor
Includes two maps of the city and fort of Natchez.

Photographs

The photography collection documents primarily New Orleans and LA, but includes material documenting the surrounding regions. Photographs of Natchez at the Collection include anonymous snapshots included in scrapbooks (see accession number 1977.116, a scrapbook dating between 1890 and 1910) and a small number of photographs taken by professionals, including Clarence Laughlin, Stuart M. Lynn, Daniel S. Leyrer, and Richard Koch.

Highlights include:

1974.25 Leonard V. Huber Collection
This study collection contains pictorial material relating in particular to steamboats on the MS River, including primarily copy photographs of photographs and prints. Other relevant materials from this collection are noted elsewhere.

1977.298 Photographs of Natchez plantations
Taken by the HNOC's director emerita Dode Platou in the 1940s, this small group of photographs shows Dunleith, Rosalie, and Stanton Hall.

1978.102, 1979.326 Stuart M. Lynn Collection
Includes photographs of plantation houses and architecture in the Natchez area, including Dunleith, Longwood, Goat Castle, Auburn, and Stanton Hall, among others, dating between 1945 and 1978.

1981.247, 1983.47 Clarence John Laughlin Collection
Includes scenes of Natchez, including various houses, Trinity Episcopal Church, tombstones and cemeteries, Melrose Plantation, among others. Most of the photographs in this portion of the collection date to the late 1930s.

1981.324 Daniel S. Leyrer Collection
A few photographs of local architecture dating to the 1930s.

1985.120 Richard Koch photographs
This collection contains three photographs of churches in the Natchez area, including Mt. Carmel Church, dating to the 1930s.

1991.86 William Hessions photographs
Views of street scenes and buildings in Natchez, taken in 1958 showing areas of town before redevelopment.

1994.105 Elizabeth van DerVeer scrapbook
Scrapbook of the summer adventures of a Newcomb College woman from between 1916 and 1920, includes one photograph of a trip a group of young people took to Natchez.

Original Artwork

1947.23.2 "Natchez, view of bluff below"
ca. 1866 drawing by an anonymous draftsman
Shows the river, steamboat, and buildings along the riverfront.

1965.90, 1977.137 Alfred R. Waud Collection
This collection includes many drawings executed by Waud, an illustrator for American newspapers of the late nineteenth century. Drawings include views of Natchez showing Monroe Street, local houses and gardens, and views of the riverfront. There are also views of Vicksburg and life along the MS River. See also Mss 106 for Waud's field notes.

1972.31 "U.S. Scrapbook"
Sketchbook dating to ca. 1845, contains watercolors of landscapes and cityscapes seen from a riverboat during a journey through the Northeast, Midwest, and South. Includes views of Vicksburg, MS.

1983.12 "The Robert Young Family of Natchez, Mississippi"
January 22, 1844, silhouette by Auguste Edouart (1789-1861)
Silhouette depicts the family of nine people against the backdrop of an interior scene.

1986.110 Group of silhouettes depicting members of the first Mississippi State legislature
ca. 1840 by William Henry Brown (1808-1883)
Twelve silhouettes, several on a lithographed background, of nine unidentified legislators, General Allen, and the first Lieutenant Governor of MS, Duncan Stewart. Also includes: 1986.110.12, "A Valet dancing to the tune of the master's violin at Natchez, Mississippi" a silhouette depicting a young slave dancing, a fiddler, and three men observing.

Prints and Postcards

A small collection of postcards, dating from the 1930s forward, represents some of the important sights of Natchez, including scenes such as the riverfront, steamboats, the Spanish Governor's Mansion, and various plantation houses.

Prints, including wood engravings and photomechanical prints, from books and newspapers such as Harper's Weekly, Frank Leslie's Illustrated Newspaper, etc. illustrate important political and news events, including depictions of Civil War scenes, the 1927 MS River flood, steamboats and other images related to river life.

Examples include:

1974.25.9.162 "Gen. Ransom taking possession of the Court-House, Natchez..."
wood engraving by Francis H. Schell, delineator, published August 15, 1863 in *Frank Leslie's Illustrated Neswspaper*

1974.25.30.151 i,ii "Natchez Under the Hill; View In 'Brown's Garden', Natchez, Miss."
wood engravings by Alfred R. Waud, delineator, published October, 1874

1974.25.30.152 "Arrival of a Steamer at Natchez"
wood engraving by Alfred R. Waud, delineator, published October, 1874

1980.212 i-iii "Natchez Upon the Hill"
Return wood engraving by unknown engraver, published May, 1862 in *Harper's History Of The Great Rebellion*

1982.116 i-v "Natchez On The Hill, From The Marine Hospital"
wood engraving by Alfred R. Waud, delineator published July 14, 1866 in *Harper's Weekly*

Other Prints

1971.41 "Natchez. On The Hill From The Old Fort"
Return lithograph, between 1833 and 1835, by James Tooley, Jr., delineator, and Risso & Browne, lithographer
View shows the city "skyline" in the early 1830s, including Rosalie, the Court House, and the First Presbyterian Church.

1974.25.10.72-74 i,ii Prints depicting the Natchez Indians Engravings, ca. 1840 by Tony Johannot, delineator
These prints show a woman with a baby being chased by an alligator, a man and woman sharing food, and the same couple sharing food with a European in a scene entitled, "Pacte D'Amitié, Chez Les Natchez."

Miscellaneous

Advertisements and schedules for steamboats:

1947.8 "Steamer Fashion"
Color lithograph, between 1855 and 1866, by Edward Everard Arnold, published by John E. Boehler
Shows the steamboat on the river in New Orleans, includes a schedule of departure times for cities upriver including Vicksburg and Natchez.

1951.41.20 "New Orleans, Natchez and Vicksburg Packet"
c. 1873 engraving by J. W. Orr, engraver
Advertisement includes depiction of the Natchez steamboat.

Billhead:

1971.96 "R. F. Learned, Band Saw Mill and Dealer In Sawed Lumber, Shingles, Laths, etc, Natchez, Miss."
issued July 3, 1904, Clarke and Courts, lithographers
Billhead shows, at top, a view of the mill, and below, a written bill for building materials issued to Miss S. W. Britton.

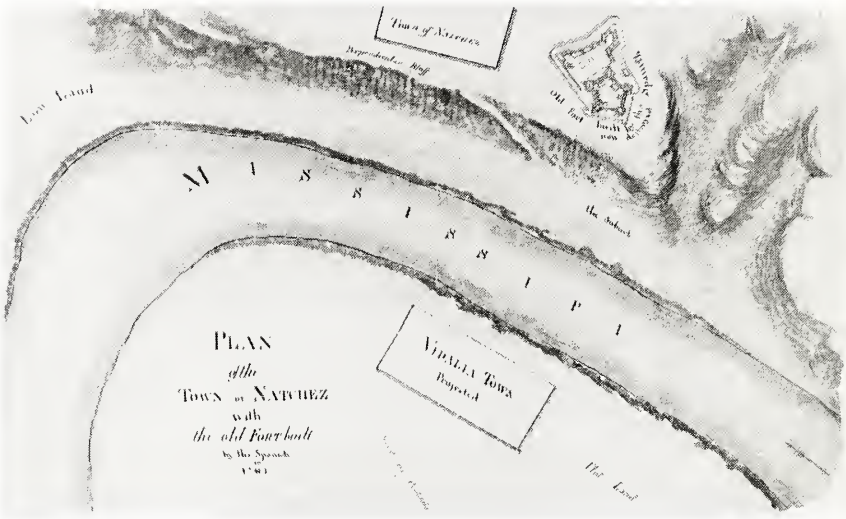
Currency:

1974.25.22.4 "$5.00 note"
Currency issued by the MS Shipping Company, Natchez, issued November 1, 1839

1979.24.1 "10.00 note"
Currency issued by The Agricultural Bank of MS, Natchez, issued January 16, 1840

Louisiana artists files:

In addition to collecting works by LA artists, the Collection maintains artists files containing information on more than 20,000 artists, photographers, architects, and art organizations who are either from New Orleans or LA or whose work pertains to the area. Many of those represented in the artists files were also active in the MS area.



Plan of the Town of Natchez with the old Fort built by the Spanish in 1794. [The Historic New Orleans Collection, Acc. No. 1970.2.23]

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The Louisiana & Lower Mississippi Valley Collections

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The Mississippi River is one of the predominant geographical features of the United States. It simultaneously divides and links the country, demarcating the east from the west while at the same time serving as the artery of communication through which has passed the enterprise and the soul of the nation. The River has defined the contours of the lands it drains, enriching the fertile valley through which it passes, and given shape to the culture, the economy, and the politics of the communities that draw sustenance from it.

For this reason, when LSU history professor Edwin Davis began in 1935 systematically to collect the papers of the families that settled and prospered in the region and the records of the plantations and businesses they built and maintained, he gave no thought to distinguishing among those who were divided by the almost artificial political boundaries of the states. His interest was in documenting and preserving the rich history and culture of the lower Mississippi Valley. Over the years, the Department of Archives and Manuscripts that he founded at LSU has developed into one of the premier repositories for such records in the nation.

In 1985, Louisiana State University renovated the original library building on its Baton Rouge campus specifically to house its growing collections of manuscripts and rare books. The Department of Archives and Manuscripts was renamed the Louisiana and Lower Mississippi Valley Collections (LLMVC), highlighting the scope of its mission to collect and preserve, and it was combined administratively with the collection of printed materials related to the history and culture of the region, creating an integrated center for research.

Preserved in the Louisiana and Lower Mississippi Valley Collections at LSU are more than 4,000 manuscript and record groups, totalling almost 20,000 linear feet in extent. The collections include the papers of individuals and families; the records of plantations, merchants and financial institutions; and the records of political, social, and labor organizations. The most important of these collections relate specifically to the families and enterprises in the Lower Mississippi Valley, from Memphis to New Orleans, and are especially strong in the Natchez, St. Francisville, and Baton Rouge areas.

The research facilities of the Louisiana and Lower Mississippi Valley Collections in Special Collections, Hill Memorial Library are located on the LSU campus in Baton Rouge, eighty-five miles from Natchez. The Special Collections reading room is routinely open 9:00 - 5:00 Monday through Friday and 9:00 - 1:00 on Saturdays. Photocopy, photographic, micrographic and electronic scanning services are available on-site. Detailed inventories and finding aids are available to ease access to the collections.

Catalog records for many of the LLMVC manuscript collections have been contributed to the Research Libraries Information Network (RLIN), the most important national database for historical manuscripts. The collections are also listed in LOLA, the automated catalog of the LSU Libraries, which is accessible internationally to scholars and the general public through the Internet. WWW address: http://www.lib.lsu.edu/special/ Gopher address: gopher.lsu.edu E-mail address: lbyspc@lsuvm.sncc.lsu.edu.

Holdings Related to the Natchez District in the Louisiana and Lower Mississippi Valley Collections:

ISRAEL L. ADAMS FAMILY PAPERS, 1813-1890; 506 ITEMS.
Extensive correspondence, including a large group of Civil War letters, between a merchant-farmer from Natchez and his family from northeast LA. Most items originate in Adams County, MS.

THOMAS AFFLECK PAPERS, 1807-1876; 831 ITEMS.
Letters, documents, diaries, almanacs and other materials of Washington, MS, and Washington County, TX, related to scientific agricultural improvements, plantation management, labor problems, and family matters.

ANONYMOUS LETTER, 1807; 1 ITEM.
Letter from a Natchez planter to a brother living in the East, outlining the favorable economic conditions for plantation owners in the Natchez area.

ANONYMOUS DIARY, 1835-1837; 1 MANUSCRIPT VOLUME.
Governess from Pittsburgh, PA, at Belfield Plantation near Natchez. Entries record reactions to plantation life, amusements, visits to neighbors, and expressions of personal discontent with the South.

ANONYMOUS LETTERS, 1864, 1865; 2 ITEMS.
Soldier's letter to his sister, written from headquarters of the 4th Battalion, LA Volunteers, wintering at New Dalton, GA, relating personal news, 1864, and from Natchez, describing the reception given him by the townspeople upon his return from the service and his efforts to adjust himself to civilian life.

ARCHIVO GENERAL DE INDIAS, SEVILLE, PAPELES PROCEDENTES DE CUBA, MICROFILM; 1767-1865.
Scattered throught the various legajos are references to Natchez. For further information see Roscoe R. Hill, Descriptive Catalogue of the Documents Relating to the History of the United States in the Papeles Procedentes de Cuba.

EDWIN B. BAKER FAMILY BIBLE, 1846-1921; 13 ITEMS AND 1 VOL.
Family bible of the Edwin Backas Baker family of Natchez, titled *The Illuminated Bible* (New York, 1846). The collection also contains thirteen items consisting mostly of family genealogical notes and obituary notices.

BANK OF THE UNITED STATES, NATCHEZ OFFICE, RECORDS, 1830-1846; 63 VOLS.
Journals, ledgers and account books for the Natchez Office of the Bank of the United States, record the transactions for loans and accounts for many merchants and plantations in the Natchez district.

RUTH KER BATCHELOR COLLECTION, 1831-1960; 32 ITEMS.
Miscellaneous papers, scrapbooks and photographs pertaining to the families of James Batchelor, planter and legislator of Amite County, MS, Dr. Rushworth Nutt of Laurel Hill Plantation, Jefferson County, MS, and the Davenports of Mer Rouge, Morehouse Parish, LA.

ALBERT A. BATCHELOR PAPERS, 1845-1905; 18,322 ITEMS.
Correspondence, diaries, account books and related items documenting the life of planter, legislator, and physician Albert Batchelor, concerning academic and social life at Oakland College near Rodney, MS, his study of medicine in New Orleans, the LA State Lottery, and the management of several plantations in Pointe Coupée Parish, LA. Includes significant Civil War correspondence.

JOHN BISLAND FAMILY PAPERS, 1767-1884; 1,199 ITEMS.
Personal and family papers of John Bisland, Sr., and his sons Peter, James, Alexander, John, and William, relating to the establishment and development of his plantations near Natchez, and his mercantile enterprises in Natchez.

BOWER, GARNER AND HARRISON PAPERS, 1863-1868; 126 ITEMS.
New Orleans commission merchants. Letters to a member of the firm at Baton Rouge, 1863, and at Natchez, 1864-1868.

JAMES P. BOWMAN FAMILY PAPERS, 1806-1937; 2,721 ITEMS.
Correspondence, land records, diaries, account books, and other papers of the Bowman family, related chiefly to the history and administration of Rosedown Plantation in St. Francisville, LA. Significant related individuals include William R. Bowman, Robert H. Barrow, Eliza Bowman Lyons, Catherine Rucker Turnbull, and Daniel Turnbull.

BRITTON AND KOONTZ RECORDS, 1824-1899; 576 ITEMS.
Bills, insurance policies and certificates, and statements of a banking house in Natchez. Includes notes, deeds, indentures, and land grants of clients of the Commercial Bank of Natchez (1824-58); personal bills and receipts of A. C. Britton and family (1892-95), and money issued by the Agricultural Bank of MS.

BRITTON (W. A.) RECORD BOOK, 1847; 1 MANUSCRIPT VOL.
Agent for the Nautilus Insurance Company of NY, in Natchez. Record Book lists the names of life insurance policy holders, beneficiaries, amount of insurance, premiums, and fees paid to doctors for examinations. A number of entries pertain to insurance on the lives of slaves.

AUDLEY CLARK BRITTON FAMILY PAPERS, 1830-1929; 1,774 ITEMS.
Letters and papers of the families of Natchez bankers and planters A. C. Britton and William A. Britton, concerning social life,plantation administration, slave health, and civilian life during the Civil War. Business records include correspondence, bank notes and records of the Mechanics' and Traders' Bank and of W. A. Britton and Company, related to crops, prices and trade.

JOHN ROBERT BUHLER PAPERS, 1843-1914; 6 MANUSCRIPT VOLS.
John Robert Buhler was the son of John Christian Buhler, a planter of Buhler's Plains near Baton Rouge. After his marriage in 1847 to Mary Reynolds (1826-1903), John Robert Buhler lived with his wife at Independence, the plantation home of his grandparents, the Smiths, near Natchez. Three volumes of a four-volume diary contain entries reflecting daily family and social life on the Independence Plantation and provide some information concerning local events in and around Natchez and Baton Rouge. Entries in another diary (1851) reflect Buhler's work in the office of Judge John Perkins and his life near Natchez (not at the Independence Plantation). The diary contains manuscript poems (1881-1914) by Mary Edith Buhler.

MARY EDITH BUHLER PAPERS, 1881-1931; 983 ITEMS.
Mary Edith Buhler, a poet and journalist, was a native of Natchez. Mary later lived and worked in New Orleans and New York City.

JOHN C. BURRUS FAMILY PAPERS, 1825-1882; 407 ITEMS.
Correspondence and personal and business papers of Burrus, a Methodist minister and planter of Woodville and Cliffwood Plantation, Pinckneyville, MS, and his children and grandchildren. Includes the papers of the Edward McGehee family of Wilkinson County, MS. Papers relate to the Methodist Church, social and intellectual life of planter families, student life at southern colleges, and civilian life during the Civil War.

THOMAS BUTLER FAMILY PAPERS, 1793-1950; 8,460 ITEMS.
Papers, correspondence, diaries, account books of Butler and his family, related chiefly to the operation of The Cottage plantation, West Feliciana Parish, LA, sugar plantations in Terrebonne Parish, LA, and the education of the family members. Includes correspondence and business records related to accounts and civil cases handled by Butler as attorney for merchants in southwest MS, and extensive Civil War correspondence.

WILLIAM WALLER CARSON LETTER, 1923; 1 ITEM.
Carson's recollections of his Civil War experiences as a sergeant-major in Company B, 4th LA Cavalry. He describes an unsuccessful operation to capture the United States gunboat "Rattler" at Natchez.

SAMUEL A. CARTWRIGHT PAPERS, 1826-1864; 69 ITEMS.
Correspondence, diary and other papers of S. A. Cartwright, Natchez physician and professor at the University of New Orleans, documenting his medical career, and his theories on race, politics and slavery.

COMMERCIAL BANK OF NATCHEZ RECORDS, 1836-1864; 151 VOLS.
Journals, ledgers, checkbooks, letter copybooks, records of deposits and loans, and other materials, related to the management of the bank in Natchez and its branches in Brandon, Holmesville, and Shieldsboro, MS. Includes also some records pertaining to other firms, e.g. W. A. Britton and Company, Planter's Bank of Natchez.

LEMUEL P. CONNER FAMILY PAPERS, 1810-1953; 5,639 ITEMS.
Correspondence, legal and business papers and plantation records of Natchez planter Conner and four generations of his family, related to family, social and economic life, cotton culture, slavery and labor problems, politics, health care, and life during the Civil War.

CHARLES B. DANA AND FAMILY PAPERS, 1799-1949; 759 ITEMS.
Correspondence, sermons, essays, and other papers of Dana, an Episcopal Minister of Alexandria, VA, and Port Gibson, MS, and rector of Trinity Church in Natchez, relating to religious activities, family matters, and local events.

EMILY CAROLINE DOUGLAS PAPERS, 1855-1868, 1913; 9 ITEMS AND 2 MANUSCRIPT VOLS.

Autobiography, diary, and manuscript writings of Emily Caroline Douglas (b. 1840), a native of New Haven, CT, and later a resident of LA and MS. Douglas describes her New England childhood and youth and relates activities and experiences in the home of her brother, the Reverend William Kirtland Douglas (1828-1898) an Episcopal clergyman and president of Jefferson College, near Natchez, during the Civil War. The autobiography, written ca. 1904 and based partially on her diary, 1855-1868, contains childhood and girlhood reminiscenses of CT family life and customs in the 1840' s and 1850' s and describes daily occurrences and happenings, at New Iberia; at Washington, near Natchez, during the Civil War; at Raymond, Early Grove, and Dry Grove, MS; and at New Orleans.

STEPHEN AND STEPHEN, JR., DUNCAN PAPERS, 1846-1899; 266 ITEMS.

Correspondence, business papers, diaries, and plantation and personal records of Dr. Stephen Duncan of Natchez and his son, related principally to the multifarious business dealing of the Duncans, including the cotton trade, and the operation of numerous Duncan plantations.

WILLIAM ST. JOHN ELLIOTT PAPERS, 1824, 1835-1858; 5 ITEMS.

Plat, 1824, for lands belonging to the estate of William Conner and to Henry L., Tacitus G., Benjamin and Margaret B. Conner on Second Creek, Adams County; survey, 1858, by William G. Waller, for a plantation of Mrs. Anna F. Elliott in Tensas Parish; and 3 acts of sale for land in Adams County purchases by William St. John Elliott from Stephen Duncan, Samuel A. Moore and Henry Chotard.

ELLIS-FARAR PAPERS, 1768-1871; 308 ITEMS.

Papers of the Richard Ellis family and the related Captain Benjamin Farar family, planters of Adams County, MS, related to land holdings and plantation management in the Natchez district, including White Cliffs, Homochitto and Laurel Hill plantations. Papers relate to the activities of successive generations of the Ellis and Farar families.

NATHANIEL EVANS FAMILY PAPERS, 1791-1932; 3,564 ITEMS.

Business and family correspondence and plantation records of Evans, postmaster and general merchant of Fort Adams, MS, and owner of Oakland Plantation, West Feliciana Parish, LA, and his heirs.

ALEXANDER K. FARAR PAPERS, 1804-1931; 2,304 ITEMS.

Personal, professional and plantation papers of Farar, planter and lawyer of Kingston, Adams County, MS, and MS state senator, regarding his legal practice, including settlement of several estates, and his plantation and business interests.

BENJAMIN PAPERS FARAR 1773-1790, 1809-1826; 56 ITEMS.
Microfilm copy of letters, 1809-1825, from Captain Benjamin Farar of Laurel Hill, near Natchez, and from members of related families, pertaining principally to family life and a few references to social life in New Orleans. The collection also includes 3 English and Spanish land grants, 1773-1790. [See: Butler, The Unhurried Years.]

ISAAC G. AND JOHN S. FOSTER PAPERS, 1861-1866; 110 ITEMS.
Isaac Gaillard Foster and John Sanderson Foster were the sons of James Foster, a medical doctor of Natchez. The family resided at Hermitage Plantation near Natchez. Both sons served in the Confederate Army. John S. Foster died of wounds received during the Gettysburg campaign, 1863; Isaac G. Foster served in Company B of the 10th MS Regiment and died in 1864. The sons letters discuss secession, battles in the east, camp and battle conditions in GA and TN, and the arrest of women at Natchez for carrying on contraband trade (1864).

JAMES FOSTER PAPERS, 1829-1904; 99 ITEMS.
Letters and papers of Natchez physician and planter James Foster, related to business and social affairs in Natchez, receipts for medical services, operation of Hermitage Plantation, purchase of slaves, travel in the east, and the Confederate memorial monument in Natchez.

FRANCE. ARCHIVES NATIONALES. COLONIES, LOUISIANE, 1694-1807, INVENTAIRE DE LA LOUISIANE. MICROFILM, 1694-1807.
Colonial records of the French government in LA.

THOMAS AND JOAN GANDY COLLECTION, 1870-1950, 1960-1988; 110 FEET.
Glass plate and celluloid negatives of Natchez photographers Henry Norman, Henry Gurney, and Earl Norman, collected by Natchez physician Thomas Gandy and his wife Joan, and prints made from the negatives by Dr. Gandy. Images include scenes of Natchez, historic buildings, civic events and sports, family groups and individual portraits.

MANUEL GAYOSO DE LEMOS PAPERS, 1792-1805; 41 ITEMS.
Letters of Manuel Gayoso de Lemos to Major Stephen Minor concern general administrative issues and personal matters in the closing years of Spanish ruleof the Natchez District. Letters discuss the survey of the Ellicott Line between Spanish LA and American MS Territory, which was drawn by, Andrew Ellicott, surveyor for the United States government; and the strained relations between Americans and Spaniards in Natchez.

GILLESPIE (JAMES M.) FAMILY PAPERS, 1776-1928; 1,169 ITEMS.
Plantation records, business papers and personal correspondence of the Gillespie and Davis families, relating to Hollywood, Westmoreland and Beechland plantations, Adams County, MS, and Indian Village plantation, Concordia Parish, LA.

GLEASON (DAVID KING) COLLECTION, 1951-1992; 202 FEET.
Negatives, working proofs, prints, and notes of Baton Rouge commercial photographer David King Gleason, related in large part to plantations and plantation homes along the Mississippi River.

GOOD HOPE PLANTATION PAPERS, 1864-(1865-1866)-1867; 99 ITEMS.
Personal papers and business correspondence of George Gilson Klapp and J.D. Waters, lessees of Good Hope Plantation, Concordia Parish. The collection includes: work sheets; a pay-roll for hands; an agreement of Waters and Klapp with freedmen; military permits (with applications) for purchase and transportation of supplies: records of cases (copies) tried before "High Court of Pains & Penalties"; an inventory of Good Hope Plantation; and bills. [See: Calhoun, History of Concordia Parish.]

GRAS-LAUZIN FAMILY PAPERS, 1810-1864; 488 ITEMS.
Papers and business records (some in French or Spanish) of the Gras and Lauzin families of Baton Rouge. The earliest receipts, bills, and similar papers are relative to the business of Antonio Gras, a merchant and shipper of Baton Rouge and Natchez, who died in 1811. During the Civil War a number of personal letters are addressed to Miss Henrietta Lauzin, principally from Francis F. Palms, a Confederate soldier. His letters describe war activities in TN, KY, GA, MS, and LA.

RICHARD ALEXANDER HALL LETTERS, 1862-1867; 28 ITEMS.
Corporal, Company D, 32nd IL Regiment, Civil War. Letters to his family from TN and MS pertain to camp life, the Vicksburg campaign, the federal occupation of Natchez, and post-war adjustment.

T. S. HARRISON TRAVEL ACCOUNT, CA.1888, MAY 9; 1 PRINTED BROADSIDE
Travel account titled "Among the Southerners," dated from Greenville, MS, describes a steamboat voyage from Baton Rouge to Greenville, mentioning scenery, river traffic, labor problems, river damage to "Natchez-Under-the-Hill" and the fear of a yellow fever epidemic.

HAZARD COMPANY LETTERS, 1839-1855; 88 ITEMS.
The Hazard company of Peace Dale, RI manufactured cotton and woolen clothing, shoes, and textiles. The company had agents operating in New Orleans. The

Company's customers were primarily from Feliciana, Red River, and Bayou Lafourche, LA and Natchez, Vicksburg, and the Delta area of MS.

HENDERSON FAMILY PAPERS, 1799-1865; 180 ITEMS, AND 1 MANUSCRIPT VOL.
Papers of John D. Henderson, his son Alexander C. Henderson, and Thomas Henderson, all of Natchez, consist mainly of business and land papers. Manuscript volume, 1875, is a notebook.

PHILIP HICKY FAMILY PAPERS, 1667-1846; 53 ITEMS.
Philip Hicky was born in the Manchac District (now East Baton Rouge Parish, LA) of West FL, the son of Daniel Hickey and Martha Scriven. He operated several large plantations in East Baton Rouge Parish including Hope Estate Plantation. As captain of cavalry in the Spanish militia, Hicky was active in the West Florida Rebellion (1810); during the War of 1812, he served as a colonel in the 11th Regiment, LA Militia. He was a LA state senator for a time and a trustee of the College of Baton Rouge. Hicky built the first sugar mill in East Baton Rouge Parish in 1814. Documents include a 1773 proclamation by Manuel Gayoso de Lemos to the Natchez District, French military orders and letters from Carlos de Grand-Pre (1801-1806), and a letter (1804) from James Wilkinson to Ferdinand Claiborne.

DAVID HUNT FAMILY PAPERS, 1803-1838; 20 ITEMS.
Personal and business letters to Abijah Hunt, wealthy merchant and slave holder of the Natchez District, who owned cotton gins in Natchez, Washington, and Port Gibson, and of his nephew and heir, David Hunt.

JOHN C. JENKINS FAMILY PAPERS, 1840-1900; 102 ITEMS.
Personal papers and diaries of the Jenkins family of Elgin Plantation, Adams County, MS, related to agricultural experimentation, plantation operation and finances, social and literary activities, and travels. Includes some Civil War correspondence.

WILLIAM T. JOHNSON AND FAMILY MEMORIAL COLLECTION, 1793-1937; 1,386 ITEMS.
Personal papers, commercial records, and diaries of a free African-American family of Natchez, detailing the condition of middleclass free African-Americans before and after the Civil War. A barber and plantation owner, Johnson was friend and confidant of a number of influential individuals in Natchez. Papers include significant information about the relations between the Johnson family and the white planter class, and about the evolution of race relations after the Civil War.

JOHN KER FAMILY PAPERS, 1803-1862; 28 ITEMS.
Letters, diary and papers of the family of Natchez physician and planter John Ker, owner of Linden Plantation, related to social and family life, plantation life, and the Civil War.

WILLIAM H. KER LETTERS, 1861-1864; 11 ITEMS.
Letters of William H. Ker of Natchez to his sister, Mrs. Sarah Ker Butler, expressing the viewpoint of the son of an upper-class family during his service as a private in the Civil War.

THOMAS P. LEATHERS FAMILY PAPERS, 1823-1952; 468 ITEMS.
Papers of Captain Thomas P. Leathers, steamboat owner and master in the New Orleans and Vicksburg trade, and his wife Charlotte Claiborne, relating to the cotton trade, improvements to MS River navigation, and Federal occupation of New Orleans and Pointe Coupée Parish. A receipt book of 1854-55 pertains to the construction of the steamboat Natchez in Cincinnati.

ELEANOR PERCY LEE AND CATHARINE ANN WARFIELD PAPERS, 1835-1876; 19 ITEMS, 8 VOLS.
Eleanor Percy Lee (nee Ware) was a poet and novelist of Natchez. Her sister, Catharine Ann Warfield, her father, Nathaniel Ware, and her daughter, Kate Lee Ferguson (b. 1841), were also authors. Nathaniel Ware was a public official in Natchez. Writings and unpublished correspondence of Elanor Lee include two letters to her sister Catharine, six manuscript volumes of novels, prose, and unpublished poems.

MOSES AND ST. JOHN RICHARDSON LIDDELL FAMILY PAPERS, 1813-1919; 6,310 ITEMS.
Plantation records, personal correspondence, business and legal papers, account books, notebooks and diaries of Moses Liddell and his son, St. John Richardson Liddell, planters of Elmsley Plantation, Woodville, Wilkinson County, MS, and Llanada Plantation near Trinity, Catahoula Parish, LA, related to plantation management, business, family and social affairs.

ANDREW MACRERY PAPERS, 1795-1835; 49 ITEMS.
Correspondence, legal and business papers, of Natchez planter Andrew Macrery, owner of Roseland and Springfield plantations, concerning social life, health and medicine, and plantation administration.

ELIZA L. MAGRUDER DIARIES, 1846-1857; 2 VOLS.
Diary of a young girl at Locust Plantation, near Natchez, home of her uncle Joseph Dunbar. Entries comment on local social events and amusements, treatment and unrest of slaves, religious life, and yellow fever epidemics.

HENRY D. MANDEVILLE FAMILY PAPERS, 1815-1925; 2,243 ITEMS.
Personal and business correspondence and business and legal papers of Henry Mandeville, Natchez banker and planter, and three generations of his family, regarding social and family affairs, plantation administration, travels, education, the Civil War and other matters.

MARIA LOUISA CHOTARD MARSHALL FAMILY PAPERS, 1819-1868; 48 ITEMS.
Letters to Marshall from her mother, Sarah Foster Williams Willis Chotard; letters from Maria to her sister, Eliza Gould; letters written by William Gould and Levin R. Marshall; memoirs of Eliza Gould, relating to her family's early history; and biographical sketch of David Hunt, wealthy planter, of Natchez, and his wife, Anne Ferguson Hunt. Includes material on family, plantation business, and social life in AL, GA, MS, and LA, travel, and Civil War experiences.

JOHN T. MCMURRAN FAMILY PAPERS, 1820-1875; 94 ITEMS, 1 MANUSCRIPT VOL.
John T. McMurran was a lawyer and state senator of Natchez. McMurran was married to Mary Louisa Turner McMurran, whose family owned the Melrose Plantation near Natchez. Correspondence and business and legal papers of McMurran, his wife, and their daughter, Mary Louisa McMurran, concern travel, social life, administration of the Woodlands and Killarney plantations, and the estate of McMurran. Estate papers of William B. Griffith (McMurran's law partner and brother-in-law) include legal papers, bills, receipts, and property inventories relative to the administration of Griffith's estate. The collection includes an Administrator's record book containing accounts pertaining to the plantations managed by John T. McMurran or his estate.

WILLIAM N. MERCER PAPERS, 1789-1874; 1,530 ITEMS.
Diaries, correspondence and business and personal papers of William Newton Mercer, surgeon and planter of Adams County, MS, and financier and owner of extensive real estate interests in New Orleans, pertaining to the management of his plantations, other real estate holdings and investments, his philanthropic work, and personal and family matters.

A. P. MERRILL AND AYLETT BUCKNER PAPERS, 1787-1870; 578 ITEMS.
Business papers and personal letters of A.P. Merrill, Aylett Buckner and Jane Ferguson of Natchez, related to commercial and legal affairs.

WILLIAM J. MINOR FAMILY PAPERS, 1779-1898; 447 ITEMS.
Plantation records, banking records, and personal correspondence of the Stephen, William J., and Henry Minor families of Natchez, related to commerce and trade, banking, and plantation life. Much of the material relates to the operation of the

family agricultural interests, including Concord Plantation near Natchez; Southdown and Hollywood plantations in Terrebonne Parish, LA; and Waterloo Plantation in Ascension Parish, LA.

JOSEPH A. MONTGOMERY FAMILY PAPERS, 1806-1886; 232 ITEMS.
Personal letters and papers of the Smylie and Montgomery families, prominent Presbyterians and planters of southwestern MS, related to family and religious matters, plantation operation, and Civil War experiences.

PATRICK MURPHY PAPERS, 1853-1925; 808 ITEMS.
Personal and business papers of Patrick Murphy, bridge builder and building contractor of Natchez, including contracts, specifications, plans, accounts, and statements for various building projects, as well as personal and legal papers.

NATCHEZ CITY, WAGE VOUCHERS, 1865; 2 ITEMS.
Vouchers drawn on City of Natchez municipal fund, approved by federal occupation officers, show wages paid to hospital workers and policeman.

NATCHEZ GUARDS RECEIPT BOOK, 1837-1843; 1 VOL.
Receipt book containing receipts signed by members of the Natchez Guards for muskets received from the quartermasters.
NATCHEZ FENCIBLES, CONSTITUTION AND LIST OF MEMBERS, 1827?-1830.
Founded in 1824, the Natchez Fencibles was the first military company to be organized in Natchez. The secretary of the company was William Vannason. I.J. Hughes probably served as the company's captain. This "Captains Copy" of the Constitution of the Natchez Fencilbles contains ten printed pages and six unprinted leaves which contain a manuscript amendment to the Constitution dated January 4, 1830, transcribed from the minutes.

NAUTILUS INSURANCE COMPANY, ACCOUNT BOOK, 1847.
Nautilus Insurance Company was based in New York and was succeeded by the New York Life Insurance Company. William A. Britton was an agent for the company in Natchez, Mississippi. The account book, kept by W. A. Britton, contains lists of names of life insurance policy holders, benificiaries, amounts of insurance purchased, premiums, and fees paid.

E.B. AND N. PHILIP NORMAN COLLECTION, 1833-1945; 2,219 ITEMS.
Collection of steamboat photographs, research materials and artifacts compiled by E.B. Norman of Alexandria, LA, and his son, Dr. N. Philip Norman of New York, pertaining principally to steamboat construction and navigation in the lower MS and Red Rivers.

JEAN CHARLES DE PRADEL FAMILY PAPERS, 1719-1954; 407 ITEMS.
Jean Charles de Pradel, a native of Uzerche, Bas Limousin, France, was a soldier and planter of New Orleans. He operated the Mon Plaisir Plantation and was married to Alexandrine de la Chaise de Pradel. Letters of Jean Charles de Pradel to his family in Uzerche pertain to business matters; the development of the LA colony; his Mon Plaisir Plantation; the production and trade of indigo; the education of his children; and a massacre of French colonists at Fort Rosalie by Natchez Indians and subsequent reprisals by the French (1729). Letters (1728-1769) describe the purchase and discipline of slaves and include a list (1769) of slaves with names, ages, occupations, and African nations of origin.

JOHN ANTHONY QUITMAN PAPERS, 1823-1872; 163 ITEMS.
Letters, diaries, personal and business records of Natchez lawyer, soldier, politician and planter John A. Quitman.

THOMAS REED PAPERS; 301 ITEMS.
Business and personal papers of Thomas Reed, Natchez lawyer, and of his son, Richard F. Reed, MS legislator and judge of the MS Supreme Court.

ANTON REIFF JOURNAL, 1856; 1 MANUSCRIPT VOL. (142 PAGES).
Musician and conductor; native of New York City. Journal written while on tour with the Pyne and Harrison Opera Company records impressions of steamboat travel on the Mississippi and Ohio Rivers; visits to Cairo, Memphis, Natchez, Baton Rouge, New Orleans, Mobile, Vicksburg, St. Louis, Washington, D.C., and other cities; theatrical performances attended; railroad travel; slavery; local customs; and the landscape.

JOHN C. SCHWARTZ PAPERS, 1859-1897; 6,938 ITEMS.
Business letters, receipts, orders, price lists, freight receipts, bills of lading and other records of a retail hardware store in Natchez owned and operated by John C. Schwartz, documenting the activities of the business.

JOSEPH D. SHIELDS PAPERS, 1802-1897; 716 ITEMS.
Correspondence, legal papers, literary manuscripts, and business papers of Natchez lawyer Joseph Dunbar Shields and three generations of his family, related to social and economic matters in the Natchez area, operation of the Pecano Plantation near Waterproof, LA, and Civil War experiences in MS and TN.

ALONZO SNYDER PAPERS, 1779-1887; 3,534 ITEMS.
Business, official and personal papers of Snyder, from Madison and Tensas Parishes, LA. Snyder served as attorney for the settlement of the estate of Jacob Bieller of Concordia Parish. In Bieller's legal files are correspondence and reports from Natchez businessmen William Cannon, Hance C. Hamilton and Alvarez

Fiske. Other Natchez items include Planter's Bank statements and receipts as well as court files.

ROBERT H. STEWART ACCOUNT BOOKS, 1834-1904; 65 ITEMS.
Account books of Robert H. Stewart and his father, Robert Stewart, morticians and furniture dealers of Natchez, recording charges for coffins and burials, accounts for making and repairing furniture. Includes some plantation records for Elder Grove Plantation, East Carroll Parish, LA.

SIDNEY V. STRATTON COLLECTION, 1891-1914; 8 VOLS.
A scrap book collection of Sidney V. Stratton of Natchez, the son of Joseph Buck Stratton. The material pasted into the books consists mainly of newspaper and magazine articles and pictures.

JOSEPH B. STRATTON PAPERS, 1746-1903; 66 ITEMS.
Papers and diaries of Joseph Buck Stratton, Presbyterian minister of Natchez, recording calls made, travels, yellow fever epidemics, weddings and funerals conducted, baptisms and prayer meetings.

FRANCIS SURGET PAPERS, 1850-1867; 126 ITEMS.
Captain Francis Surget was a planter and land speculator whose extensive holdings in LA and AR and whose ownership of over 10,000 slaves made him one of the largest planters and slaveholders of the antebellum South. Papers pertain to the management of Surget's estate in Natchez. One volume contains an examination and appraisal of lands in AR belonging to the estate of Surget. Other volumes in the collection pertain to the management of Surget's properties in MS.

MILES TAYLOR FAMILY PAPERS, 1821-1954; 200 ITEMS.
Correspondence and personal papers of Miles Taylor and family of Assumption Parish, LA. Louisia Breeden Millard, Taylor's mother-in-law, resided in Natchez and Port Gibson, MS. Letters among Mrs. Taylor (Eliza A. Breeden) and her family comment on events in Natchez, 1833-1836, including: the prevalance of yellow fever among newcomers; gamblers ousted from town for setting fire and inciting African-Americans to riot; as well as social events.

UNITED STATES ARMY COLLECTION, ARMY OF THE TENNESSEE, 1863; 3 ITEMS.
Letter from General Thomas E.G. Ranson, Headquarters, U.S. Forces, Natchez, immediately after the surrender of Vicksburg, concerning shipment of captured beef cattle and the overcrowded conditions in Natchez caused by the accumulation of freedmen, to Lieutenant Colonel W.T. Clark, 17th Army Corps. Ranson tells of sending escaped slaves back to their former masters, the necessity of keeping the freedmen in the city in corrals, and the fear of an epidemic by the citizens

due to the overcrowded conditions. Also two orders pertaining to the Yazoo Expedition during the Vicksburg campaign by Brigadier General Isaac F. Quinby to Brigadier General L.F. Ross concerning movement of troops.

F. TAYLOR LETTER, 1837; 1 ITEM.
Personal letter from F. Taylor, Natchez, to F. Hardity, Clinton.

WILLIAM TERRY FAMILY PAPERS, 1766-1896; 67 ITEMS.
The William Terry family resided in Pine Woods, Jefferson County, MS. Sarah, daughter of William and Martha Ker Terry, married Evans S. Jefferies. The Jefferies family lived on Greenwood Plantation, Claiborne County, MS.

EDWARD TURNER FAMILY PAPERS, 1767-1878; 173 ITEMS.
Edward Turner was a judge and planter of Natchez. Family correspondence concerns social life, education and upbringing of children, a yellow fever epidemic in Natchez, the legal career of Judge Turner, and politics during the Reconstruction. Business and legal papers include items documenting plantation management; slave bills of sale; a plat of the estate of Robert Moore; an inventory of property and slaves owned by Edward Turner (1860); a bank book of an account at Britton & Koontz, Natchez (1874-1875); and wills and succession documents related to estates of Lewis Ellzey, Mary Ellzey, and members of the Turner family. Some items document negotiations and legal proceedings of U.S. Commissioner Fulwar Skipwith, who represented claims of American citizens against France (1815).

JOSEPH VIDAL AND SAMUEL DAVIS FAMILY PAPERS, 1797-1869; 666 ITEMS.
Business and legal papers of José Vidal, secretary to the Spanish Governor of Natchez and later Spanish consul in Natchez, and his son-in-law Samuel A. Davis, cotton planter, banker, land speculator and plantation owner. Includes journals and other papers pertaining to the estate of planter and land speculator Francis Surget.

R. VIENER AND COMPANY ACCOUNT BOOKS, 1880-1936; 503 VOLS.
Business records of Natchez wholesale grocer, feed, flour and paper firm, documenting the firm's activities, commerce and trade. Includes account books for the Congregation B'nai Israel of Natchez.

GEORGE WADDILL PAPERS, 1861-1865; 21 ITEMS.
Personal papers of George D. Waddill, Baton Rouge druggist, during his service as a hospital steward with Company K, 3rd LA Infantry Regiment at Lee Hospital, Lauderdale, MS, and Way Hospital, Meridian, MS. The miscellaneous material includes a letter of L.B. LeCand written from Corinth, MS to Joanna Fox, of Natchez, giving and account of the activities of his company at the battle of Shiloh, 1862.

WALL-PETTIBONE FAMILY PAPERS, 1795-1889; 15 ITEMS.
The papers document the land ownership of the Wall and Pettibone families. The earliest documentation relates to the Spanish land grant of 500 arpents of land in the Natchez District to John Wall in 1795, also indicating that Wall received subsequent Spanish land grants. A legal document of 1820 records that Chauncey Pettibone of Concordia Parish, LA, purchased the Richland Plantation, which included 1,070 acres and all slaves, livestock, and equipment on the property. A United States land grant documents that another 382 acres of the original Spanish land grants was deeded to Samuel Woods (d. 1833 or 1834) in 1833. In 1834, Chauncey Pettibone purchased half of Woods' land from the administrators of his estate, Robert L. Brandon and Joanna Woods. A plat of the Richland Plantation (1883) shows its dimensions and the lines of the original Spanish land grants. Documents from the 1870's and 1880's reflect sales of land by Henry B. Pettibone, Annie P. Merwin, George W. Merwin, and Robert L. Brandon and purchases of land by Mary P. Wall and Annie P. Merwin.

JAMES BURNS WALLACE DIARY, 1835-1836; 1 BOUND VOL.
Native of Canaan, NH, printer and merchant. In 1835-36, Wallace traveled from Boston to New Orleans. Diary is Wallace's private record of travels through northwest Louisiana, then by steamboat down Red River to New Orleans, after that homeward by MS River steamer, via Natchez, Vicksburg, Louisville, Cincinnati, Columbus, New York, Manchester, Andover. Astute observations and lively descriptions of landscapes, modes of transportation, local customs and language, agriculture, food, climate; remarks on slavery and north-south differences; comments on the war in TX.

WALWORTH AND GORDON FAMILY PAPERS, 1806-1941; 189 ITEMS, 10 MANUSCRIPT VOLS.
Douglas Walworth was a postal clerk, a planter in LA and AR, and president of Planters' Bank of Natchez who was admitted to the bar in Jackson, MS in 1855 and served in the state legislature, 1859-1860. He helped raise the Light Guard Battalion and was captain of Company I of the 16th MS Infantry Regiment. Correspondence (1850-1868) discusses contemporary politics, social and economic conditions in MS, and household and family matters. Civil War papers (1862-1865) concern Confederate military administration. Diaries of Douglas Walworth (1850-1865, 1881) describe childhood activities in Natchez, study and student life at Harvard University, and Confederate military experiences. After the war, Douglas resumed his legal practice and his activities as a planter. He and his first wife, Rebecca Conner (d. 1868), had one son and four daughters. His second wife, Jeannette Haddermann of Natchez, was an author. Alexander Gordon (b. 1784) was a Scottish immigrant to New Orleans. Gordon family papers include documents concerning the estates of James Gordon and his wife, Margaret Leslie (parents of Alexander), family correspondence, and a copy of Alexander's diary (Nov. 1806-Apr. 1811) that describes his voyage from Nassau to New Orleans (1806); a journey from Nassau to Havana (1808); and a journey from Nassau to Amelia Island, FL (1811). The diary contains a copy of the Census of LA, 1813.

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For the past three hundred years, Natchez has been an influential center: for Indian settlement; for the Natchez District; and for the preservation, interpretation, and celebration of local and regional history. To aid researchers studying the city, its varying roles, and its society, this guide itemizes the following sources available in the manuscript collection of the Mississippi Department of Archives and History.

For the period from the Indian settlement of the Natchez area to the advent of the Civil War (1860), all manuscript holdings relating to the Natchez District, as well as Natchez itself, are listed in this guide. Manuscript collections, whether they be extensive collections of papers or single documents, are included for these areas: the Mississippi counties of Adams, Amite, Claiborne, Franklin, Jefferson, Pickering, Warren, and Wilkinson; the Louisiana parishes of Avoyelles, Concordia, East Feliciana, Madison, Pointe Coupee, Tensas, and West Feliciana. For the period 1860 to 1900, all manuscript collections of significance — in size, scope, or depth of coverage — for the study of both Natchez and the Natchez District are listed. Finally, for the twentieth century, the guide includes holdings of the Department directly relating to the city of Natchez or to Adams County.

Nearly four hundred collections with historical and content notes are presented. For each collection the guide indicates the inclusive dates of the material and the approximate size in cubic feet. The identifying accession number and any restrictions on access are noted at the end of each annotation.

In addition to biographical and historical background and to scope and content notes, the annotations provide the geographic locations of the collections or their originators. With the exception of prominent cities — Jackson, Hinds County; Natchez, Adams County; Port Gibson, Claiborne County; Vicksburg, Warren County; and Woodville, Wilkinson County — names of cities and towns are followed by their Mississippi counties or Louisiana parishes. Cities and towns located in other states are so indicated.

The annotations appearing in this guide are based on the descriptions of the manuscript collections found in the Mississippi Department of Archives and History's registers, catalog records, and monthly and annual reports. As these descriptions have been created by a number of archivists over several decades, they vary greatly in style and depth of coverage. While research has been done to supplement facts and clarify many of these descriptions, it is possible that future efforts will unearth information currently unknown or uncertain.

Sources useful for the study of the Natchez District not only illuminate the local history of the region but offer the researcher material valuable for the examination of more general issues of Mississippi history and the society and culture of the South. They facilitate research on the Indian settlement of the state through the papers of archaeological artifact collectors such as Brevoort Butler and Schuyler Poitevent; the Choctaw vocabulary compiled by George Rapalji; the research of natural scientist B. L. C. Wailes and archaeologists Moreau B. C. Chambers and Andrew C. Albrecht; and the manuscript collections concerning the Natchez Trace project and the Grand Village of the Natchez Indians.

Sources relating to the Natchez District are valuable for the general study of colonial Mississippi, the development of the territory, and frontier life. Among the Department's collections are Spanish land maps, the papers of early surveyors and explorers of Mississippi and of prominent citizens of early Natchez, the memoirs of early settlers such as the Anthony Hutchins family, the trial records of the highwayman Samuel Mason, and records of ship captains. The picture of early Mississippi emerging from this evidence can be further enhanced with the materials collected in the nineteenth century by J. F. H. Claiborne for his state history and with manuscripts on early Natchez by twentieth-century historians.

Landholding in the eighteenth- and nineteenth-century South can be investigated through a variety of sources including deeds, materials relating to property disputes, the journals of farmers, and extensive collections of papers of plantation owners and their families. These papers document the agricultural and economic management of property, the conditions of slavery, and, in several collections, the changes wrought by the Civil War and Reconstruction.

Obvious resources for a study of Southern elite social groups, the papers of plantation owners also provide a means of studying architecture and the decorative arts. The John A. Quitman and family papers, for example, contain material on the construction of the family residence, Monmouth. One can trace further architectural and artistic developments in the nineteenth century through the papers of Natchez architect Levi W. Weeks and the records of the Natchez interior decoration firm of Dixon and Houghton, and in the twentieth century through those of preservation and restoration experts such as Donald F. X. Finn, Dix Fowler, and the architect William Lampton Gill, and records of organizations such as the Natchez Garden Club.

The manuscript sources of this guide illuminate the economic as well as the architectural development of the Natchez region. There are records of a number of nineteenth-century business firms of Port Gibson and Vicksburg, while both nineteenth- and twentieth-century records document the activities of business firms in Natchez. Records of financial institutions such as the Bank of the State of Mississippi and the Bank of Port Gibson are supplemented by the papers of their officials and presidents: listed in this guide are the letter book of Jefferson Beaumont, a cashier of the Bank of the State of Mississippi; and the papers of Natchez banker Samuel H. Lambdin; Vicksburg bankers B. W. Griffith and J. H. McRae; and Port Gibson banker Horatio Nelson Spencer.

Bankers are but one of several occupational groups well represented by the sources in this guide. Because many of the prominent plantation owners were also lawyers, judges, politicians, or physicians, their papers offer researchers a view of the diversity of professional life in the Natchez area.

The field of medicine is documented both directly, through the papers of nineteenth-century planter-physicians such as Andrew Macrery and the twentieth-century co-founder of Natchez General Hospital, James Calhoun Rice; and, indirectly, through descriptions of yellow fever epidemics in various collections of correspondence, recipes for medical remedies in plantation journals, and papers of family members, as in the case of Tryphena Holder Fox and her observations on her husband's plantation medical practice.

The papers of Tryphena Holder Fox also serve as a useful source for the study of women's history, as do a number of collections appearing in this guide. There are papers and journals written by women of plantation families, some recording family activities, their experiences during the Civil War and Reconstruction, and details of plantation life. Other collections contain drafts and manuscripts reflecting the literary activities of the women themselves, as in the cases of Judith Sargent Murray, Nellie Henderson Ayres, and Elizabeth Brandon Stanton. In several instances, letters, diaries, and speeches illuminate the details of the education of women in the nineteenth century and their roles as governesses or teachers.

The sources presented in this guide are of use in tracing the development of educational institutions in Mississippi for men as well as women. Records of educational institutions in the Natchez District include those of Oakland College, Port Gibson Female College, Chamberlain-Hunt Academy, Jefferson College, and Jefferson Military College. They provide information on these institutions throughout much of the course of their existence. An occasional history as well as papers of students, faculty, and college presidents such as Presbyterian ministers Jeremiah Chamberlain and Robert L. Stanton, both of whom presided over Oakland College, enhance the information contained in the schools' official records.

Since prominent ministers sometimes served as presidents of educational institutions, their papers can provide researchers with information on religious as well as educational issues. Indeed, a variety of sources described in this guide further the study of the religious history of Mississippi and its different denominations. There is correspondence of the early Methodist leaders Benjamin M. Drake and Elijah Steele, records of sermons preached and services performed by Presbyterian ministers Edwin William Ford and Cornelius W. Grafton, and some papers of Episcopal minister Charles B. Dana of Natchez. There are resources for the study of the role of churches within communities. From the papers of Horatio Nelson Spencer one may gain insight into his work as a Presbyterian church elder in Port Gibson. Within the records of the Order of the Sisters of Mercy is an account of their work in Vicksburg during the yellow fever epidemic of 1879. Similarly, the minutes and membership lists of individual churches enable the researcher to trace a church's support and influence within a community over a long period of time, in some cases through much of the nineteenth and twentieth centuries.

These church records of membership, baptisms, and deaths are valuable as well for the study of genealogy, facilitating the identification and location of ancestors. Since there are few records of the names of slaves, the church rolls might prove particularly useful to researchers attempting to trace black ancestors before the Civil War; such lists often included slaves, as the baptismal roll of the Union Church Presbyterian Church demonstrates.

Indeed, while records of the Natchez District were penned primarily by members of the elite groups of society, they remain important resources for the study of black history and slavery in the ante-bellum South. Papers of plantation owners occasionally reveal the views of the owners on slavery, as do those of James Trueman Magruder. More commonly, however, planters simply kept cotton books or journals recording a plantation's productivity. Along with bills of sale and estate inventories, the cotton books or plantation journals furnish information of value for the genealogist and historian. If the amount of detail on the conditions of slavery varied according to the owner or overseer who kept the books, the journals almost invariably record the names of slaves with the totals of cotton picked per slave. Moreover, the daily entries in these books not only note tasks performed by the slaves, but their births, deaths, or illnesses. Records of Natchez area physicians, who owned plantations or practiced on them, serve to enhance further the understanding of medical care and health conditions of slaves, as the doctors kept notes of their professional visits to plantation workers.

Offering frequent glimpses of routine daily life, the Natchez District sources occasionally proffer views of extraordinary situations affecting slaves. The papers of Isaac Ross and Isaac Ross Wade record the legal struggle to carry out the will of Captain Isaac Ross, which provided for the liberation of his slaves and

their resettlement in Liberia, and even include correspondence from the freed slaves.

Insights into military history may also be gleaned from Natchez District sources. A number of these—correspondence, military service records, and memoirs of civilians—document the service of Natchez District residents in the Civil War or the effects of the war on the area. Others, including the journal of an engineer who served under Andrew Jackson in the War of 1812, correspondence from the Mexican War, records of service in the Spanish-American War, and a scrapbook of the contributions of Natchez-area residents in World War I, provide information on a number of wars involving Mississippians.

Finally, it should be noted that this guide lists both primary and secondary sources, including works of history and literature written by residents of the Natchez area or concerning it. Researchers and writers of history of both the nineteenth and twentieth centuries are represented; their works range in format from monographs and scholarly articles to radio programs and family histories and memoirs. The literary works are equally diverse; there are journals penned as private memoirs, stories by Eudora Welty, stories for children, a mystery novel, poetry, and works based on or celebrating family history. Such a variety of sources can afford researchers not only factual evidence of the development of Natchez, but opportunities to trace changing perceptions of the city, its sphere of influence, and its role in history.

CELIA A. MORTIMER ADAMS PAPERS, 1835-1854. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
The papers of Celia A. Mortimer (Mrs. William) Adams, Lebanon, OH, consist of typewritten copies of nine letters, including one from M. Mortimer in Rodney, Jefferson County, and three from John Donning in Grand Gulf, Claiborne County, MS, all dated 1835. Processed. (Z/0007.000).

ALLEN T. AKIN PAPERS, CA. 1790-1800; 1970-1980; UNDATED. 1 CUBIC FT.
The genealogical records of Allen T. Akin of Warren County, MS, pertain to the Balfour, Klein, and Oswalt families of Vicksburg. Also included are early Balfour family papers, ca. 1790 to 1800. Unprocessed. (Z/U/83.005).

ANDREW C. ALBRECHT MANUSCRIPT, 1938. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
This collection consists of a typewritten carbon copy of the manuscript, "Natchez, Mississippi, and its Aboriginal Inhabitants" by Andrew C. Albrecht, prepared for the Statewide Archaeological Project of the Works Progress Administration in 1938 and sponsored by LA State University. Topics include the geographical and topographical aspects of the Natchez area; the earliest inhabitants and Indian sites; excavations at St. Catherine's Creek, Adams County; and Natchez Indian culture. Processed. (Z/0011.000).

JAMES ALLEN AND FAMILY PAPERS, 1840-1960; UNDATED. 8.32 CUBIC FT., AND 1 REEL 35 MM. MICROFILM.

The papers are an assortment of correspondence; fiscal and social papers; diaries; cotton and account books; plantation books; cash and daybooks; road maps and logs; photographs; Claiborne County, MS, histories; broadsides; printed materials; and scrapbooks belonging to the members of the James Allen family of Nanachehaw Plantation, Warren County, and of Port Gibson. James's son, Charles B. Allen, served in the Confederate Army, and the collection contains military and personal papers related to the Civil War, including muster roll lists of the Warren Guards and the Claiborne Guards. Processed. (Z/0014.000, Z/1239.000).

AMERICAN COTTON OIL COMPANY RECORDS, 1903-1914. 2.33 CUBIC FT.

The records consist of correspondence and other documents, both originals and copies, collected as evidence in the case of The State of Mississippi v. The American Cotton Oil Company, et al. Among the papers are correspondence and documents from many MS firms, including the Natchez Oil Company, Natchez; the Newton Oil and Manufacturing Company, Natchez and Newton, Newton County, MS; the Port Gibson Oil Works, Port Gibson; and several Vicksburg-based companies. Processed. (Z/0067.000).

AMERICAN LEGION WORLD WAR I SCRAPBOOK, 1917-1924. 0.10 CUBIC FT.

This photocopy of the scrapbook compiled by the American Legion Herbert J. Remondet Post No. 4, Natchez, uses clippings, illustrations, and memorabilia to document the participation of Natchez-area residents in World War I. Processed. (Z/1660.000).

AMITE AND FLORIDA AUXILIARY BIBLE SOCIETY MINUTES, 1815-1835. 0.33 CUBIC FT.

This collection consists of the constitution and minutes of the Amite and Florida Auxiliary Bible Society, whose membership was principally drawn from Amite and Wilkinson counties and Spanish West FL. Processed. (Z/0019.000).

ANDREWS FAMILY PAPERS, 1813-1930. 0.10 CUBIC FT.

These ten letters from members of the Andrews family of Natchez and Selsertown, Jefferson County, include a will of Arthur Andrews of Selsertown and a September, 1813, letter describing the Massacre of Fort Mims, MS Territory. Processed. (Z/0876.000).

ANONYMOUS DIARY, 1863-1872. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
This collection contains a typewritten copy of a diary kept by a woman living in Natchez during the Civil War, commenting on battles and life in occupied Natchez and the behavior of the Northern soldiers. Most of the entries cover the period from July 7 to November 15, 1863. Processed. (Z/0869.000).

ARCHER FAMILY PAPERS, 1863-1891. 0.20 CUBIC FT.
The papers consist of the personal correspondence of the Archer family of Port Gibson, including a June 5, 1863, letter by A. B. Archer to his wife Jennie R. Archer at Port Gibson describing the unsuccessful Union attack on Clinton, East Feliciana Parish, LA. Processed. (Z/0027.000, Z/0027.001).

ARCHER-FINLAY-MOORE FAMILY PAPERS, 1828-1967. 5.33 CUBIC FT.
The papers include personal and professional correspondence, land records, genealogies, and newspaper clippings that document the Archer, Finlay, Hunt, and Moore families of the Natchez District. Processed. (Z/1224.000).

HARRY C. ASH MANUSCRIPT, 1961. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
This collection consists of a photocopy of a typescript, entitled "A History of the Centreville Methodist Church, 1811-1961," by Harry C. Ash. The history also contains a list of the memorials and pastors at this Wilkinson County, MS, church from 1811 to 1961. Processed. (Z/0994.000).

AVENTINE PLANTATION DIARY, 1857-1860. 0.33 CUBIC FT. AND 1 REEL 35 MM. MICROFILM.
The diary of Aventine Plantation, Adams County, MS, owned by Thomas R. Shields, records details of the lives of slaves, crop production, and plantation management. A microfilm copy is available for patron use. Processed. (Z/0175.000).

AYRES FAMILY PAPERS, 1809-1992; UNDATED. 5 REELS 35 MM. MICROFILM.
This positive microfilm copy of the papers of the Ayres family of Adams County, MS, documents both the family's management and renovations of their Adams County plantation, Roseland, and the Ayres's connections with Natchez. The papers include a cotton book (1842-1843), plantation journals (1848-1860), financial accounts relating to Roseland's restoration in the 1950s, and records of the Natchez physician Andrew Macrery, the original owner of Roseland. The correspondence of Macrery's grandson, John Richardson Ayres, with his wife, Nellie Henderson Ayres, records their relations with the Nutt family of Natchez, while the Ayres's mercantile activities in the city are traced through the records

of the Natchez general merchandising firm of Cannon and Ayres (1837-1845). Also included are drafts and copies of children's stories written by Nellie Henderson Ayres. Processed. (Z/1873.000).

BAKER AND MOSS COMPANY RECORDS, 1839-1849. 0.10 CUBIC FT. Nine items form this collection of business papers and letters concerning the commission and general agency business of Baker and Moss, in Natchez. The successor of the firm of Lambdin and Bennett, the company became Baker and Little in 1844, when William H. Little succeeded E. L. Moss as partner of Edwin B. Baker. Processed. (Z/0322.000).

Confederate lieutenant and Natchez lawyer T. Otis Baker and wife Sarah Seaman Baker. [T. Otis Baker and Family Papers (Z/0734.000).]

T. OTIS BAKER AND FAMILY PAPERS, 1822-1909; UNDATED. 4.77 CUBIC FT. The papers of T. Otis Baker, Natchez lawyer and captain in the Tenth MS Infantry Regiment of the Confederate Army, contain correspondence, social papers, records documenting his military career, and research materials for his book, Rolls of the Several Military Organizations which Entered the Service of the Confederate States of America from the City of Natchez and Adams County, Mississippi (1890). Among the military records are a roll book of Company B (Natchez Southrons), Tenth MS Infantry Regiment, and minutes of the 1861-1862 meetings of the Natchez military company, the "Silver Grays." Business papers and records concerning Baker's legal clients, many of which refer to prominent Adams County residents, are included, as are records concerning properties and plantations in Adams, Claiborne, Jefferson, and Wilkinson counties and in Catahoula, Concordia, and Tensas parishes, as well as properties and firms in Natchez itself. Processed. (Z/0072.000, Z/0072.001, Z/0734.000).

EMMA BALFOUR PAPERS, 1781-1925. 1.10 CUBIC FT.
Emma Balfour was a Vicksburg resident who was married to Dr. W. T. Balfour. This collection contains both the original and a typescript copy of her diary, which describes life in Vicksburg from May 16, through June 2, 1863, and the impact of the siege by the Union Army. Also included are typescripts of family papers. Processed. (Z/0696.000, Z/0696.001).

BANK OF PORT GIBSON RECORDS, 1838-1906. 1.66 CUBIC FT. AND 1 REEL 35 MM. MICROFILM.
The records of the Bank of Port Gibson, including correspondence and an assortment of financial records, were damaged in a fire and, therefore, have been left unarranged. Microfilm records of stock transferred to the bank from 1838 to 1852 and of a discount book dating from 1838 to 1843 are also included. Processed. (Z/1109.000, Z/1109.001).

BANK OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI RECORDS, 1810-1882; UNDATED. 58.19 CUBIC FT.
In 1809 the MS Territorial Assembly established the Bank of MS in the city of Natchez. In 1818 it was rechartered as the Bank of the State of MS, with offices in Natchez, Port Gibson, Woodville, and Vicksburg, but ceased operations in 1834. A minute book of the board of directors of the Bank of MS and the Bank of the State of MS, records of stockholders and bank officers, and a variety of correspondence and financial records document the activities of the bank and its successor, the Agricultural Bank of Natchez. These records trace the disbursement of funds to Revolutionary War pensioners, as well as the operations of the Port Gibson, Woodville, and Vicksburg branches. Processed. (Z/0094.000, Z/0757.000, Z/1291.000, Z/1853.000). Unprocessed. (Z/U/78.042, Z/U/88.063).

BANKING INSTITUTIONS OF MISSISSIPPI COLLECTION, 1820S-1850S. 1 CUBIC FT. AND 2 REELS 35 MM. MICROFILM.
This artificial collection of correspondence and financial records documents such banking institutions of the Natchez District as the Bank of the State of MS, the Planters' Bank, and the Union Bank, from the 1820s to 1850s. Unprocessed. (Z/U/72.010).

BAPTIST CHURCH OF CHRIST AT JERUSALEM RECORDS, 1812-1889. 1 REEL 35 MM. MICROFILM.
This reel of positive microfilm contains a copy of the records of the Baptist Church of Christ at Jerusalem, Amite County, MS. Processed. (Z/1043.000).

BARLAND FAMILY PAPERS, 1820S-1890S. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
This collection contains correspondence, essays, financial records, a land deed and plat, and other papers of the Barland family of Claiborne County, MS. Unprocessed. (Z/U/95.001).

PHILIP BAYON HORTICULTURAL JOURNAL, 1940S-1980S. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
This journal documents the cultivation and propagation of a variety of plants, shrubs, and trees by horticulturist Philip J. Bayon of Natchez. Unprocessed. (Z/U/89.048).

JEFFERSON BEAUMONT LETTER BOOK, 1833-1840. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
The letter book of Jefferson Beaumont of Natchez, who succeeded Gabriel Tichenor as cashier of the Bank of the State of MS in 1833, includes copies of letters to Gabriel Tichenor, Stephen Cooke, and L. M. and George W. Sargent, the latter concerning Winthrop Sargent's estate. Processed. (Z/0759.000).

ROBERT W. BELL, JR. PAPERS, 1936-1986. 2 CUBIC FT.
These papers consist of correspondence, maps, clippings, and speeches documenting the career of Robert W. Bell, Jr., and his work as supervisor of right-of-way acquisitions for the Natchez Trace Parkway project. MS River Parkway Commission materials, publications, and tapes containing Bell's narration of a history of his work on the Natchez Trace Parkway project are also included. Processed. (Z/1844.000).

EDWIN E. BENOIST PAPERS, UNDATED. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
This collection is composed of unpublished plays and musical scores by Edwin E. Benoist of Natchez. Processed. (Z/1489.000).

BETHESDA BAPTIST CHURCH RECORDS, 1896-1926. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
The photocopies of the documents in the record book of Bethesda Baptist Church, Jefferson County, MS, include lists of members, baptisms, church minutes, and some financial records. Processed. (Z/1084.000).

BEULAH VICK BICKLEY MANUSCRIPT, 1940. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
The manuscript of Beulah Vick Bickley of Waterloo, IA, consists of a typescript of her poem "The Romance of Vicksburg: An Epic of the South." Processed. (Z/0338.000).

GEORGE K., AND T. G. BIRCHETT PAPERS, 1832-1874. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
The papers consist of ten items relating to the businesses and careers of Drs. George K. and T. G. Birchett of Vicksburg, with some dating from the Civil War and Reconstruction periods. Also included is an account book of Dr. George K. Birchett, with entries from 1832 to 1847. Processed. (Z/0339.000).

RAYMOND BIRCHETT COLLECTION, 1775-1949. 4.50 CUBIC FT.
Raymond Birchett was a Jackson, MS, architect who inherited the items in the collection from his grandmother Tryphena Blanche Holder Fox of Jesuit Bend, LA, and the family of his father Dr. John Alexander Klein Birchett of Vicksburg. The papers, including correspondence, broadsides, printed material, newspapers, and clippings concern the Klein and Birchett families and focus on the Vicksburg Campaign and the aftermath of the Civil War. They include the papers of Elizabeth L. Eggleston of Vicksburg, who worked with Confederate organizations after the war. The Birchett collection also includes a number of newspapers (1775-1949), many collected by Dr. J. A. K. Birchett. Processed. (Z/1790.000).

BISLAND-SHIELDS FAMILY PAPERS, 1773-1969; UNDATED. 3 CUBIC FT.
These papers include a variety of items, such as a diary, correspondence, legal records, literary papers, receipt and account books, clippings, and genealogical records. They concern not only the Bisland and Shields families of Adams County, MS, but the Stelle, Pride, Williams, and other allied families. Family plantations are a central focus of the collection. Correspondence and account books document life on the LA sugar plantation Hope Farm, Terrebonne Parish, in the nineteenth century. Much of the twentieth-century correspondence deals with the care and preservation of the plantation Mt. Repose, located on Pine Ridge in Adams County, as do nineteenth- and twentieth-century account books. Insights into education in the 1850s are also provided by the papers: a journal kept by Leonora Bisland documents her school term at Pine Ridge Female High School, Adams County, MS, from 1856 to 1857; and there is an 1859 letter from B. L. C. Wailes concerning Jefferson College, Washington, Adams County. Civil War correspondence between William A. Bisland to Caroline Pride, his future wife, discusses not only domestic matters, but the military situation of Vicksburg in 1862 and 1863 and the movement of Federal troops in Terrebonne Parish. Processed. (Z/1610.000).

HARMON BLENNERHASSETT PAPERS, 1812-1816. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
The papers consist of two items: a promissory note of Harmon Blennerhassett, dated July 10, 1812, to the estate of Charles F. McCay; and a letter dated November 30, 1816, written from La Cache, Port Gibson, MS Territory, to William Turpin, Washington, MS Territory. Processed. (Z/1071.000).

DANIEL BOARDMAN PAPERS, 1814-1823. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
The papers of Daniel Boardman of New York City consist of five pieces pertaining to land claims in the MS Territory and a dispute with Comfort Sands over MS stock. Processed. (Z/0340.000).

L. M. BOATNER DIARY, 1841-1842. 0.10 CUBIC FT. AND 1 REEL 35 MM. MICROFILM.
A typewritten copy of the diary of L. M. Boatner, a farmer of Amite County, MS, constitutes this collection. There is a microfilm copy available for patron use. Processed. (Z/0341.000).

ROSWELL VALENTINE BOOTH JOURNAL, 1876-1915. 1 REEL 35 MM. MICROFILM.
This reel of microfilm contains a copy of a journal kept by Roswell Valentine Booth, lawyer, Confederate veteran, and mayor of Vicksburg. The journal covers a yellow fever epidemic, World War I in Europe, and the Garfield assassination and obituaries. It also contains poems and speeches made by Booth and an autobiography. Processed. (Z/1594.000).

GERARD BRANDON MANUSCRIPT, 1935. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
This collection consists of a typescript of the address given by Gerard Brandon on May 14, 1935, on delivering the deed of Jefferson College, Washington, Adams County, to the State of MS. The conveyance took place during the dedication of the historical marker commemorating the site of the first constitutional convention in MS in 1817. Processed. (Z/0948.000).

ISAAC BRIGGS LETTER, 1803. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
Isaac Briggs was surveyor general of the MS Territory. This letter, dated October 7, 1803, and written from Washington, MS Territory, is addressed to Gideon Fitz, Monticello, VA, and concerns the possibility of Fitz becoming deputy surveyor. Processed. (Z/1053.000).

AUDLEY CLARKE BRITTON MEMORANDUM BOOK, 1852-1867. 0.10 CUBIC FT. AND 1 REEL 35 MM. MICROFILM.
The memorandum book of Audley Clarke Britton, Natchez broker and banker, contains lists of table silver, slaves, and purchases and sales of real estate. A positive microfilm copy is available for patron use. Processed. (Z/0732.000).

BROOKDALE FARM RECORDS, 1856-1857. 1 REEL 35 MM. MICROFILM.
A typewritten carbon copy and a microfilm copy of the record of Brookdale Farm, Amite County, MS, kept by the Reverend Hamilton McKnight, Baptist pastor of Liberty, Amite County, make up this collection. Processed. (Z/0349.000).

JAMES BROWN PAPERS, 1846-1847. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
The papers of James Brown of NY include accounts of Atornish and Loch Leven plantations, which were apparently located in Adams County, MS. Processed. (Z/0351.000).

CHARLES W. BUCK PAPERS, 1852-1922. 2 CUBIC FT.
Among these papers are letters, legal records, manuscripts, and images documenting the career and family of Charles W. Buck. A native of Vicksburg, he was a lawyer, a Woodford County, KY, judge, a United States envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary to Peru, and a writer of fiction. Buck's papers contain letters from his parents written at Vicksburg from 1866 to 1875, his diary at Vicksburg for 1873, and a typescript printer's copy of a book manuscript entitled "Uncle Bob," which was set in the Vicksburg area during the Civil War. Processed. (Z/0078.000).

DANIEL BURNET PAPERS, 1818-1829. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
This collection of business papers of Daniel Burnet of Port Gibson is composed of eight items relating to the Nailor plantation that Burnet managed as executor of Francis Nailor's estate. Processed. (Z/0357.000).

BURNET-LUM FAMILY PAPERS, CA. 1700S-1900S. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
The correspondence, legal and genealogical records, and other papers (photocopies) of the Burnet family of Port Gibson and Claiborne County, MS, the Lum family of Vicksburg and Warren County, and various allied families, date from the 1700s to 1900s. Unprocessed. (Z/U/73.035).

BREVOORT BUTLER PAPERS, 1890-1926. 0.66 CUBIC FT.
This collection contains an assortment of letters, day and account books, and memorabilia of Brevoort Butler. Born in Natchez in 1846, he collected Indian artifacts and relics at his Yazoo County, MS, plantation. Photocopies of Butler's archaeological artifact catalog and journal are available for patron use. Processed. (Z/0954.000).

ZEBULON BUTLER LETTERS, 1828-1840. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
This collection is composed of two letters of the Reverend Zebulon Butler, founder of the Port Gibson Presbyterian Church and its pastor for thirty-three years. Processed. (Z/1014.000).

JOHN T. CALDWELL, JR., AND FAMILY PAPERS, 1920S-1980S. 12.25 CUBIC FT.
This collection contains correspondence, photographs, architectural drawings, printed material, newspapers, and other papers of the family of John T. Caldwell, Jr., of Jackson, MS. Included are black-and-white photographs of the free-standing spiral staircase of Auburn, Natchez. Unprocessed. (Z/U/93.013).

AGNES Z. CARPENTER AND FAMILY, PAPERS. 1847; 1910S-1930S. 2 CUBIC FT.
The correspondence and genealogical records of Agnes Z. Carpenter of Dunleith, Natchez, date from the 1910s to 1930s. Also included is an April 12, 1847, letter from the Reverend John M. Carpenter, Vincentown, NJ, to John B. Carpenter, postmaster, Fayette, Jefferson County, MS, concerning the genealogy of the Carpenter family. Unprocessed. (Z/U/76.061).

CARPENTER, HARPER, AND COMPANY ACCOUNT BOOK, 1836-1839. 1 REEL 35 MM. MICROFILM.
This positive microfilm reel contains a copy of the account book of Harper Carpenter and Company, cotton factors, money lenders, real estate agents, and general merchandise dealers of Grand Gulf, Claiborne County, MS, from 1836 to 1839. It includes accounts of cotton planters and farmers in the Bayou Pierre, Big Black River, and surrounding areas in MS. Processed. (Z/1156.000).

JOHN A. CATO PAPERS, 1862-1863. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
Letters of Major John A. Cato to his wife, Martha E. Cato, of Union Church, Jefferson County, MS, form the major part of this collection of eleven items. Materials relating to Cato's military service during the Civil War are also included, among them an original Confederate muster roll of Company E, Seventh MS Infantry Regiment. Processed. (Z/0367.000).

JEREMIAH CHAMBERLAIN LETTER, 1851. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
In this two-page letter to his son, John, Dr. Jeremiah Chamberlain, Presbyterian minister and president of Oakland College, Claiborne County, MS, outlines a code of personal conduct for righteous living. Processed. (Z/1722.000).

JOHN DARDEN CHAMBERLAIN PAPERS, 1878-1880. 0.10 CUBIC FT. AND 1 REEL 35 MM. MICROFILM.
The papers consist of a photocopy of a diary, and a positive microfilm copy of a daybook recording accounts of weather, farming, and business matters of John Darden Chamberlain, farmer, school trustee, and member of the Board of Supervisors of Jefferson County, MS. Processed. (Z/1161.000). Unprocessed. (Z/U/91.046).

CHAMBERLAIN-HUNT ACADEMY RECORDS, 1885-1973. 2.66 CUBIC FT.
The records of Chamberlain-Hunt Academy, Port Gibson, contain an assortment of correspondence, budgets, bulletins, catalogs, yearbooks, periodicals, histories, sheet music, newspapers, and clippings documenting the history of the academy established in 1879 by the Presbyterian church. Created from the proceeds of the sale of nearby Oakland College to the State of MS and named after

Oakland College president Jeremiah Chamberlain and planter David Hunt, the military academy is considered the successor to Oakland College, Claiborne County. Processed. (Z/1650.000).

MOREAU B. C. CHAMBERS PAPERS, 1924-1942. 0.66 CUBIC FT.
The papers are composed of the correspondence of Moreau B. C. Chambers, field archaeologist and curator for the MS Department of Archives and History from 1927 to 1942, supervisor of the Archaeological Laboratory for Colonial Williamsburg, chief historian for the United States Department of State, and university archivist for the Catholic University of America. The correspondence of Chambers and his colleagues centers on excavations in MS, including those at the Fatherland site, near Natchez. Processed. (Z/1527.000).

CHARLES-CRUTCHER-MCRAVEN FAMILY PAPERS, 1851-1866. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
The papers consist primarily of original and typescript copies of correspondence of the Charles family of Liberty, IL, and the Crutcher and McRaven families of Vicksburg, Warren County, and Clinton, Hinds County, MS. Included is a typewritten history of the Crutcher family. Processed. (Z/0693.000.)

CHRIST CHURCH RECORDS, 1826-1966. 1 REEL 35 MM. MICROFILM.
This reel of microfilm contains copies of the vestry minutes, parish register, and the guild account book of Christ Church, Church Hill, Jefferson County, MS; the guild account book records activities of the women of this Episcopal parish. Processed. (Z/0892.000).

CHURCH HILL MERCANTILE ACCOUNT BOOK, 1863-1880. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
This mercantile account book was found in the attic of the home of Dr. Bisland Shields, Church Hill, Jefferson County, MS; the name and location of the place of business are unknown. Processed. (Z/0891.000).

FERDINAND L. CLAIBORNE PAPERS, 1800-1813. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
This collection of the papers of Ferdinand Leigh Claiborne, Natchez merchant and brigadier general of the militia of the MS Territory, consists of four items: three letters, to Levin Wailes, Territorial Governor David Holmes, and Captain Blackburn; and a petition to the secretary of war by officers of the MS Militia for the reimbursement of expenses incurred in the army. Processed. (Z/0374.000)

JOHN FRANCIS HAMTRAMCK CLAIBORNE COLLECTION, 1707-1881. 7.08 CUBIC FT. AND 11 REELS 35 MM. MICROFILM.
The papers of John Francis Hamtramck Claiborne, Natchez native, lawyer, state representative, and editor of the Mississippi Free Trader, include an important

collection of letters, pamphlets, newspapers, and papers he assembled to document his Mississippi as a Province, Territory and State, with Biographical Notices of Eminent Citizens (1880). The extensive collection includes numerous letters by prominent figures of the Natchez area, manuscripts of William Dunbar, a letter book related to the Natchez District, and one concerning the Natchez Fencibles, and miscellaneous documents related to Natchez, Port Gibson, and Oakland College, Claiborne County. There are microfilm copies available for patron use. A published index to the Claiborne Collection is available in James M. White and Franklin L. Riley, "Libraries and Societies," Publications of the Mississippi Historical Society, vol. 5 (1902), 203-227. An addition to the collection contains thirteen pieces of correspondence, including letters of Claiborne to Rutherford B. Hayes, Benjamin J. Lessing, and John Van Buren. Processed. (Z/0239.000, Z/0375.000).

WILLIAM CHARLES COLE CLAIBORNE PAPERS, 1804-1813. 0.10 CUBIC FT.

Two letters of William Charles Cole Claiborne and a license to practice law in LA, issued by Claiborne as governor general of LA, make up this collection. The correspondence includes a letter written by Claiborne to Governor David Holmes of the MS Territory concerning John Winn, a fugitive from justice, and a letter from Claiborne to Major General Thomas Posey of Baton Rouge, LA, advising him of his nomination as United States senator. Processed. (Z/0376.000).

CHARLES CLARK, AND FAMILY PAPERS, 1810-1892. 2.33 CUBIC FT. AND 5 REELS 35 MM. MICROFILM.

Charles Clark, governor of MS from 1863 to 1865, resided first in Jefferson County, which he represented in the state legislature from 1838 to 1843, and then in Bolivar County, where he was a planter. This collection contains personal, business, and military papers of Clark, including correspondence; legal notebooks; account, letter, and plantation books; a book of slaves (1849-1850); lawsuit and docket books; and family photographs. A microfilm copy of the collection is available for patron use. Processed. (Z/0122.000).

CHARLTON M. CLARK PAPERS, 1847-1941. 0.66 CUBIC FT.

The papers of Charlton M. Clark, editor, writer, and president of the MS Society of Washington, D.C., include correspondence, typescripts of "The Indians and the Revolution," and newsclippings on Indians and the Natchez Trace. Processed. (Z/0031.000).

FELIX G. CLARK PAPERS, 1870S-1900S. 0.10 CUBIC FT.

The correspondence, financial records, and pension applications of Felix G. Clark of Liberty, Amite County, MS, document his entitlement to a federal pension for military service in the Mexican War. Unprocessed. (Z/U/92.019).

ROBERT COCHRAN PAPERS, 1844-1850. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
This collection consists of the business papers of Robert Cochran of Natchez, including correspondence regarding legal affairs and land sales. Processed. (Z/0379.000).

CHESLEY SHELDON COFFEY AND FAMILY PAPERS, 1840S-1960S. 2.33 CUBIC FT.
This collection contains correspondence, financial records, photographs, and other original and photocopied papers of Chesley Sheldon Coffey, a Fayette, Jefferson County, MS, tradesman, and planter, and of his descendants. Military records of his service in the Mexican War, and as a Confederate captain of Company D, Nineteenth MS Infantry Regiment, are included. Unprocessed. (Z/U/83.019, Z/U/94.030).

JAMES J. COLLIER PAPERS, 1846-1851. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
The papers of James J. Collier, clerk of the Circuit Court of Jefferson County, MS, consist primarily of correspondence from lawyers. Processed. (Z/0382.000).

COMMONWEALTH DRILLING AND OIL COMPANY MINUTES, 1915-1916. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
The minutes (photocopy) of the Commonwealth Drilling and Oil Company of Vidalia, LA, date from 1915 to 1916. The company also had a branch office in Natchez. Unprocessed. (Z/U/82.006).

CONFEDERATE STATES OF AMERICA, ARMY, POST COMMISSARY INVOICE AND DISCHARGE BOOK, 1862. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
This photocopy of a Confederate post commissary invoice and discharge book of Clinton, East Feliciana Parish, kept by Captain William Lyle, includes information and accounts concerning the post commissary, and a five-page narrative entitled "Natchez Under Yankee Rule," presumably written by Lyle. Processed. (Z/1661.000).

LOUISA RUSSELL CONNER MEMOIRS, CA. 1905. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
This collection contains two photocopies of memoirs dictated ca. 1905 by Louisa Russell Conner of Berkeley Plantation on Second Creek, Adams County, MS. Her journal contains descriptions of Berkeley Plantation, and of her experiences during the Civil War at Blakely Plantation, near Vicksburg. Further information on Berkeley Plantation is contained in the Metcalfe Family Papers. Processed. (Z/1575.000).

MINERVA HYNES COOK DIARY, 1855-1859. 0.10 CUBIC FT. AND 1 REEL 35 MM. MICROFILM.
This collection consists of a typewritten copy of a diary kept by Minerva Hynes (Mrs. Jared Reese) Cook of Newman's Grove, near Vicksburg. A microfilm copy is available for patron use. Processed. (Z/0387.000).

COUNCIL OF FEDERATED ORGANIZATIONS RECORDS, 1964; UNDATED. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
The Council of Federated Organizations records are composed of typewritten and handwritten affidavits and depositions by the council's workers concerning acts of harassment or terrorism perpetrated upon or witnessed by them during voter registration and other civil rights activities of the MS Freedom Summer Project of 1964. They are accompanied by note card abstracts and notes compiled by the Reverend Ed King, Jackson, MS, and include nine items from Adams County. Photocopies are available for patron use. Processed. (Z/1867.000).

LEONARD COVINGTON ESTATE RECORDS; IVANHOE PLANTATION RECORDS, 1821-1823; 1864. 0.66 CUBIC FT.
This collection contains financial records attributed to Alexander Covington's administration of the estate of his brother, General Leonard Covington, War of 1812 hero killed at the Battle of Chrysler's Field in 1813. General Covington lived at Propinquity, Adams County, MS, prior to the war. The estate records cover the years 1821 to 1823. Also included are the 1864 records from Ivanhoe, the Warren County plantation of Susan C. Covington, which was managed for her by B. L. C. Wailes. Unprocessed. (Z/U/86.020).

LEVIN COVINGTON DIARY, 1825-1845. 0.33 CUBIC FT. AND 1 REEL 35 MM. MICROFILM.
The diary contains the minutes of the Adams Athenaeum, Washington, Adams County, MS, from 1825 to 1826, as well as the plantation diary of Levin Covington of Adams County, from 1829 to 1845. A microfilm copy is available for patron use. Processed. (Z/0132.000).

WILLIAM E. COX MANUSCRIPTS, 1969. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
The manuscripts consist of two resource study proposals by William E. Cox, historian, Natchez Trace Parkway. One concerns Springfield, a residence built by Thomas M. Green, Jr., in Jefferson County, MS, between 1800 and 1812. The other focuses on Buena Vista Plantation in Claiborne County. Processed. (Z/1012.000).

PHILIP CRUTCHER MANUSCRIPT, UNDATED. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
Philip Crutcher of Vicksburg compiled notes on the history of the city from his collection of nineteenth-century Vicksburg newspaper files and lists of promi-

nent Vicksburg citizens. Typed versions of his notes and both typed and manuscript versions of the citizen lists are included in the collection. Processed. (Z/0133.000).

CRUTCHER-SHANNON FAMILY PAPERS, 1826-1929. 3 CUBIC FT.
The correspondence found in the papers of the Crutcher and Shannon families of Vicksburg includes a typed copy of a letter written to Emma Shannon during the siege of Vicksburg in 1863 and Dabney T. Marshall's letters on prison conditions in MS in the 1890s. Statements of the Warren County jail and the Vicksburg Whig office, genealogical information, business and personal account books, social papers, and pamphlets are also included. Processed. (Z/0091.000).

CHARLES G. DAHLGREN PAPERS, 1843-1863. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
The papers of Charles G. Dahlgren, a Natchez merchant and Confederate brigadier general who built the mansion Dunleith (formerly Routhland), contain eighteen items of correspondence, tax receipts, bills, and accounts, including one for Dr. Sam W. and Sarah Ann Dorsey. Processed. (Z/0394.000).

CHARLES B. DANA PAPERS, 1857-1870. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
The papers of the Reverend Charles B. Dana, Episcopal minister of Natchez and Port Gibson, are composed of ten items, including letters, bills, a baptismal record, a marriage license, and a report to the mayor and selectmen of Natchez on the affairs of the Natchez Institute. Processed. (Z/0395.000)

SMITH COFFEE DANIELL IV, AND FAMILY PAPERS, 1798-1970, UNDATED. 12.53 CUBIC FT.
Smith Coffee Daniell IV, a civil engineer and land surveyor, was born March 11, 1885, at Windsor Plantation, Claiborne County, MS. Educated at Chamberlain-Hunt Academy, Alabama Polytechnic Institute, the University of VA, and Auburn University, he served in World Wars I and II in the Army Corps of Engineers, attaining the rank of major; papers in the collection document his education, military service, and career. Family papers include copies of correspondence from 1809 to 1858, and some original papers belonging to early Claiborne County settlers, including two 1796 Spanish land grants to Peter Brian Bruin, two 1813 indentures involving William Christie, and papers of Eden Brashear and Benjamin Hughes. Genealogical notes on many families of the area, a copy of birth records of blacks at Prospect Hill Place from 1825 to 1867, and an original and typescript copy of a Port Gibson cemetery record are also included. Processed. (Z/1075.000, Z/1075.001). Unprocessed. (Z/U/88.061).

J. H. DANJEAN AND COMPANY, LIMITED, RECORDS, 1817-1918. 2.33 CUBIC FT.
The business records of J. H. Danjean and Company, Limited, of Port Gibson which operated as cotton buyer and dealer in dry goods, groceries, and plantation supplies, consist of five account books recording transactions from 1865 to 1898, and miscellaneous items including receipts, accounts, deeds of trust, and a letter to Frances Wood of Port Gibson dated May 7, 1817, and signed by J. D. Wood, Natchez. Processed. (Z/0917.000).

DARDEN FAMILY PAPERS, 1820-1899. 1.33 CUBIC FT.
The papers of the Darden family of Jefferson County, MS, contain correspondence, land grants, business papers, and deeds, some of which relate to properties in Fayette, Jefferson County. Included as well are the diaries of Susan Sillers Darden, wife of Jesse H. Darden, a Jefferson County planter, containing entries for 1851, 1853 to 1861, and 1865 to 1877. Processed. (Z/0082.000).

JEFFERSON DAVIS AND FAMILY PAPERS, 1815-1921; UNDATED. 2.72 CUBIC FT.
The papers of Confederate President Jefferson Davis and members of his family span the years 1815 to 1921. Included are letters written by Jefferson Davis and Varina Howell Davis; their children, Jefferson Davis, Jr., Varina Anne (Winnie) Davis, and Margaret Davis Hayes; their son-in-law, Joel Addison Hayes, Jr., and their granddaughter, Varina Howell Davis Hayes Webb. There are also letters written by William Burr Howell and his son Joseph Davis Howell, and Joseph Emory Davis and his wife Eliza Van Benthuysen Davis. Several letters were penned at or concern Natchez District locales, including Brierfield, the Davis plantation in Warren County, and The Briars, the Howell residence at Natchez. Processed. (Z/0735.000, Z/0777.000, Z/0785.003, Z/0785.008, Z/1125.001). Unprocessed. (Z/U/94.049, Z/U/94.050).

MRS. H. B. DELONNE MANUSCRIPT, 1863. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
This manuscript of eight pages contains Mrs. H. B. DeLonne's reminiscences of Port Gibson in 1863 and of the passage of the Union Army. Processed. (Z/0403.000).

E. DICKINSON DAYBOOK, 1830-1836. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
E. Dickinson, a tailor of Washington, Adams County, MS, recorded entries in this daybook from 1830 to 1836. Processed. (Z/0128.000).

HARRIS DICKSON PAPERS, 1889-1946; UNDATED. 13.32 CUBIC FT. AND 1 REEL 16 MM. MICROFILM.
Harris Dickson was a lawyer, judge, and novelist of Vicksburg, who served as advisory editor of the Federal Writers' Project, Works Progress Administration.

His papers consist of correspondence, journals written in 1889 and 1917, notes, speeches, manuscripts, biographical material, Federal Writers' Project notes, photographs, scrapbooks, and newsclippings. Also included are rough drafts and typescripts of his radio program "Magnolia Sketches," that documented famous people and places in MS. Processed. (Z/0028.000, Z/0028.001, Z/0124.000, Z/0852.000).

DIXON AND HOUGHTON DAYBOOKS, 1858-1876. 1 REEL 35 MM. MICROFILM.
On this reel of positive microfilm is a copy of the daybooks of the paint and wallpaper firm of Dixon and Houghton, Natchez. The firm offered services in painting, wallpapering, glazing, glass-cutting, lettering, finishing, varnishing, gilding, and picture-framing. The daybooks record the nature of material or services provided, with the customer name and date of order or purchase. Processed. (Z/1663.000).

HARRIETTE SHIELDS DIXON SCRAPBOOKS, 1930S-1940S. 0.66 CUBIC FT.
The two scrapbooks kept by Harriette Shields Dixon of Natchez pertain to the Natchez Garden Club and the Natchez Pilgrimage. Unprocessed. (Z/U/89.032).

ROBERT SMITH DIXON PAPERS, 1833; 1854. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
Robert Smith Dixon of Scotland moved to Natchez in 1849, where he was co-founder of the Dixon and Houghton firm and built the Dixon Building. His papers include photocopies of Dixon's indenture to Hamilton, and of his United States naturalization records, signed at Natchez in 1854. Processed. (Z/1645.000).

OCTAVIA DOCKERY PAPERS, 1882-1942, UNDATED. 0.20 CUBIC FT.
Papers of Octavia Dockery of Natchez, daughter of Confederate General Thomas P. Dockery and guardian of Richard Dana, who resided at the Natchez mansion Glenwood (Goat Castle). She and Dana were accused of the murder of their neighbor, Jennie Surget Merrill, in 1932 in the Goat Castle case. The papers include correspondence, invitations, broadsides, and a copy of a Supreme Court opinion involving Glenwood, as well as the unpublished short story "Held by the Enemy," set near Champion Hill, MS, in 1863, signed by Octavia Dockery. Processed. (Z/0405.000, Z/0731.000).

LETTIE DOWNS PAPERS, 1859-1976. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
A journal and notebook of Letitia Frances Booker Vick Downs, daughter of John Wesley and Letitia Frances Booker Vick, and granddaughter of Newitt Vick, for whom Vicksburg was named, form this collection. The journal contains entries written at the family plantation at Anguilla, Sharkey County, MS,

and describes the lifestyle of the Vick family before, during, and after the siege of Vicksburg. It also contains miscellaneous notes, lists, and recipes. The notebook, compiled in 1859, includes poems and a letter. A typescript of the journal and notebook, with a table of contents and materials on the Vick family, is also part of the collection. Processed. (Z/1497.000).

BENJAMIN M. DRAKE AND FAMILY PAPERS, 1805-1914. 3 CUBIC FT.

The papers center around Benjamin Michael Drake, a Methodist minister who rode circuit in the Natchez and Washington area and was president of Elizabeth Female Academy, Washington, Adams County, MS. He founded Centenary College at Brandon, Rankin County, MS, in 1839, and was its president after its move to Jackson, West Feliciana Parish, LA. The Drake and family papers include copies, abstracts, and originals of family and religious correspondence including an 1858 letter that describes early Methodism in the MS Territory. The collection also contains family financial papers as well as papers, correspondence, and annual reports (1824-1832) of the MS Conference Society, Auxiliary to the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and Benjamin Drake's treasurer's account book (1836-1843). Processed. (Z/0995.000).

WINBOURNE MAGRUDER DRAKE PAPERS, 1819; 1901-1966. 25.66 CUBIC FT.

Winbourne Magruder Drake, born at Magnolia Springs, Jefferson County, MS, in 1874, was active in the cotton trade as secretary of the MS Compress Association and member of the New York Cotton Exchange. His subsequent activities included farming and cattle raising. From 1950 to 1956 he served as president of the board of trustees of Jefferson Military College, Washington, Adams County. His papers contain personal and business correspondence; social and financial papers; letter, account, and cattle books; reports on cotton production; blueprints; maps; photographs; and printed materials. Among the papers is an 1819 deed for land near Washington. Reports and minutes of Jefferson Military College board meetings from 1950 to 1956, and consolidated trial balance sheets of the board of trustees of Jefferson College and Jefferson Military College from 1951 to 1957 are included, as are materials concerning the Natchez Black and Bridle Club from 1935 to 1941. Processed. (Z/1360.000).

DRAKE-SATTERFIELD FAMILY PAPERS, 1800S-1900S. 20.52 CUBIC FT.

The Drake family was prominent in Jefferson County, MS, where the Reverend Benjamin Drake bought a portion of his father-in-law James T. Magruder's Mount Ararat Plantation and called it Magnolia Springs; and in Port Gibson, where Drake's son Elijah Steele Drake bought a home called Roseland or Drake Hill. Elijah's daughter Laura Stevenson Drake married Port Gibson lawyer Milling

Marion Satterfield, and Elijah's son Henry W. Drake became manager of the Port Gibson Oil Works and vice-president of the MS Southern Bank of Port Gibson. The papers consist of personal letters, financial and legal records, an autograph book, photographs, genealogical records, and newsclippings relating to the Drake, Satterfield, Archer, and Turpin families. The correspondence includes that of Elijah Steele Drake, lawyer of Port Gibson and founder of Phoenix Academy at Fayette, Jefferson County. Many papers concern Centenary College and the Methodist Church of Port Gibson. Processed. (Z/0096.000, Z/0096.002, Z/0096.004, Z/1288.000). Unprocessed (Z/U/72.061).

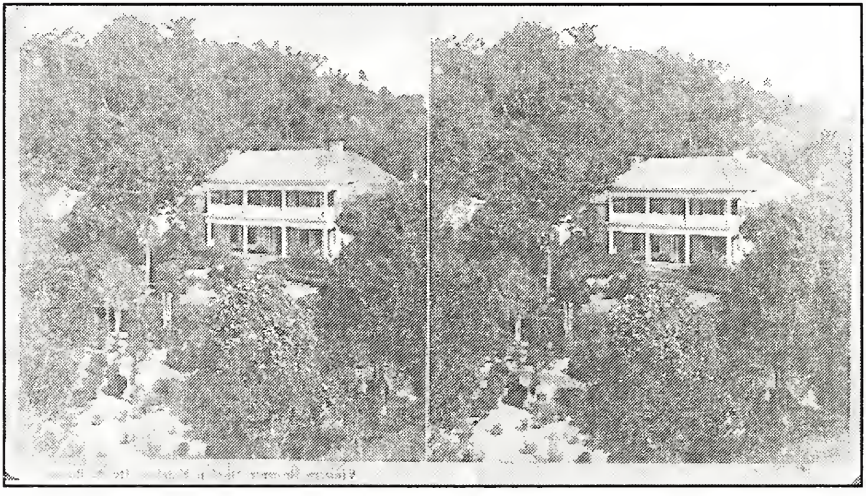
C. J. DUBUISSON PAPERS, 1862-1866; UNDATED. 0.66 CUBIC FT.
Among the papers of Confederate soldier C. J. DuBuisson is a biographical sketch of his father, Charles L. DuBuisson, a professor and president of Jefferson College, Washington, Adams County, MS, a lawyer of Natchez; judge of the Probate Court of Adams County, president of the board of visitors of the Natchez Institute, and owner of Sonora Plantation, Yazoo County, MS. Also included is Judge DuBuisson's address, undated, to the students and friends of the Natchez Institute. Unprocessed. (Z/U/76.063).

WILLIAM DUNBAR AND FAMILY PAPERS, 1700S-1900S; UNDATED. 1.99 CUBIC FT.
This collection contains letter books, originals and copies of correspondence, journals, photographs, scrapbooks, legal and genealogical records, printed material, newspaper clippings, and other papers of various members of the William Dunbar family. Dunbar, an astronomer, scientist, and planter of cotton and indigo, resided at the plantation, The Forest, near Natchez. The correspondence includes letters of Dunbar and Thomas Jefferson, and letters dealing with the management of the Dunbar plantations near Natchez and Baton Rouge, LA. Journals record transactions on Dunbar's plantations, and explorations of the Red River. His papers also contain his observations on geological topics and meteorological data, and an unpublished memoir of Dunbar attributed to Samuel Postlethwaite. Processed. (Z/0114.000, Z/0114.001). Unprocessed. (Z/U/93.009).

STEPHEN DUNCAN, JR. PAPERS, 1858; 1860. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
This collection contains a December 12, 1858, inventory of stores and supplies required for an unidentified plantation administered by Stephen Duncan, Jr., of Natchez, and a February 5, 1860, memoir regarding the issuance of clothes to slaves on an unidentified plantation administered by Stephen Duncan, Jr. Unprocessed. (Z/U/94.042).

STEPHEN DUNCAN NOTEBOOK, UNDATED. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
This logic notebook belonged to the planter Stephen Duncan, who resided in Natchez from 1808 to 1863 and owned the mansion Auburn. Microfiche and a photocopy are available for patron use. Processed. (Z/0266.000).

MATTHEW A. DUNN AND FAMILY PAPERS, 1859-1865. 0.10 CU. FT.
The papers are composed principally of the correspondence of Matthew Andrew Dunn, farmer of Amite County, MS, with his wife Virginia Leonora Perkins Dunn, written during his service in the Confederate Army, Company K, Thirty-third MS Infantry Regiment. Letters to Virginia Dunn from 1864 to 1865 are included as well, as are miscellaneous items, among them an 1859 Amite County land deed. Processed. (Z/1792.000).



Stereograph view of Brown's Garden, Natchez, by photographer A. Botsai. [Charels E. East Collection (Z/U/89.027).]

CHARLES E. EAST COLLECTION, 1860S-1980S. 1 CUBIC FT.
This collection was created or collected by Charles E. East, a native of Shelby, MS, author of Where the Music Was: Fifteen Stories by Charles East (1965), and former director of the LA State University Press (1970-1975). Included are correspondence, literary manuscripts, subject files, and photographs, some of which are from Natchez. Unprocessed. (Z/U/89.027).

EAST FORK BAPTIST CHURCH RECORDS, 1830-1979. 3 REELS 35 MM. MICROFILM.
These reels of positive microfilm contain copies of the minutes of the meetings of the East Fork Baptist Church, which was organized in Amite County, MS, in 1810. Processed. (Z/1372.000, Z/1372.001).

EBENEZER BAPTIST CHURCH RECORDS, 1806-1975. 0.66 CUBIC FT. AND 1 REEL 35 MM. MICROFILM.
Photocopies and a microfilm copy of the records of the Ebenezer Baptist Church, organized in 1806 and located in Amite County, MS, form this collection. The records consist primarily of the minutes of church conferences. Processed. (Z/1371.000).

CHARLES H. ELIAS PAPERS, 1933-1986; UNDATED. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
Correspondence, photographs, maps, printed materials, and newsclippings form the papers of Charles H. Elias, of Little Rock, AR, who was a researcher for the United States De Soto Expedition Commission. The papers pertain to his efforts to locate the exact route of Hernando de Soto through the southeastern United States, and to his work with the commission. Copies of Natchez Trace bulletins from 1940 to 1941 and newsclippings concerning the Natchez Trace Parkway are also included. Processed. (Z/1854.000).

ELLETT-JEFFERIES FAMILY PAPERS, 1842-1892. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
This collection of fourteen pieces consists primarily of letters and copies of letters of the Ellett and Jefferies families of Claiborne County, MS. There are some originals and copies of financial papers as well, among them a copy of an 1849 bill of sale for slaves from James Snodgrass to Evan S. Jefferies. Processed. (Z/0410.000).

POWHATAN ELLIS PAPERS, 1814-1832; UNDATED. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
The papers of Powhatan Ellis, Natchez lawyer, United States senator, and minister plenipotentiary to Mexico, consist of six items. Among these are an August 28, 1814, report made by Ellis when lieutenant and provost guard, a plan for the organization of land districts in MS, copies of bills pertaining to MS lands acquired from the Choctaws, and two letters. One of these letters (1832), to the secretary of the navy, recommends Anthony W. Hutchins for a warrant as midshipman. Processed. (Z/0412.000).

THE ELMS PAPERS, 1800S-1900S. CA. 75 CUBIC FT.
This collection was accumulated by successive owners and occupants of The Elms, Natchez, for more than a century. It contains a diverse array of nineteenth- and twentieth-century correspondence, photographs, advertising material, ephemera, and newspapers. The collection represents a time capsule of Natchez social history. Unprocessed. (Z/U/86.025).

Lawn party at The Elms, Natchez. [The Elms Papers (Z/U/86.025).]

CHANDLER C. EMERY PAPERS, 1886-1947. 1.66 CUBIC FT.
Dr. Chandler C. Emery of Jackson, MS, had interests in the organization of many companies in the South, including the Adams County Farms Company, Jeannette, and the Poplar Grove Stock Farm, Adams County. This collection contains his business papers and includes both business and personal correspondence. Processed. (Z/0053.000).

JOHN H. ESTY PAPERS, 1822-1873. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
John H. Esty was a plantation agent, lawyer, and politician in Claiborne County, MS, who held offices as justice of the peace, county clerk, and sheriff. This collection contains four letters written by Esty to his family members, in which Esty discusses the yellow fever epidemic in Port Gibson and mentions his impending management of three Claiborne County plantations. A letter concerning Esty family genealogy is also included. Processed. (Z/1859.000).

HORATIO EUSTIS LETTERS, 1840. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
Two letters from lawyer Horatio Eustis, owner of Somerset Plantation near Natchez, to his father, General A. Eustis, form this collection. One letter contains a description of the tornado that hit Natchez on May 7, 1840. Processed. (Z/0413.000).

FRANK E. EVERETT, JR. PAPERS, CA. 1908-1993. 5 CUBIC FT.
The papers of lawyer and historian Frank E. Everett, Jr., of Vicksburg, include correspondence regarding his historical interests and publications; research materials and manuscripts, especially concerning Jefferson Davis, the plantation, Brierfield, and the First Presbyterian Church of Vicksburg; and photographs, including some of Vicksburg. Unprocessed. (Z/U/94.020).

DANIEL S. FARRAR, JR., AND FAMILY PAPERS, 1700S-1900S. 5.99 CUBIC FT.
This collection contains correspondence, a photocopy of an 1885 diary, photographs, legal, military, and genealogical records, printed material, and other papers of the family of Captain Daniel S. Farrar, Jr., a planter of Fayette, Jefferson County, who served in the First MS Infantry Regiment, Company B, during the Spanish-American War. A 1900 roster of Company G, Thirty-fourth Regiment, MS National Guard, Gloster, Amite County, is included. A significant portion of the collection concerns Farrar's involvement with the Descendants of the Jersey Settlers of Adams County. Of additional interest is a family tree of the Farrar and allied families. Processed. (Z/1433.000). Unprocessed. (Z/U/90.020).

DONALD F. X. FINN MANUSCRIPT, 1980. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
This collection consists of a typewritten monograph entitled "Painted Floorcloths at Melrose." Accompanied by a bibliography on painted floorcloths and a list of manufacturers, the monograph was written in 1980 by Donald F. X. Finn. He was formerly the curator of Melrose, the Natchez mansion that was the home of the McMurran, Kelly, and Callon families. Processed. (Z/1711.000).

FIRST NATCHEZ BANK RECORDS, 1902. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
There are three records of the First Natchez Bank, Natchez, in this collection, including two account statements and a check. Processed. (Z/1380.000).

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NATCHEZ RECORDS, 1816-1902. 1 REEL 35 MM. MICROFILM.
This reel of microfilm is a copy of the record book of the First Presbyterian Church, Natchez, listing admissions to communion, baptisms, marriages, and deaths. Processed. (Z/0771.000).

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF PORT GIBSON RECORDS, 1828-1953. 1 REEL 35 MM. MICROFILM.
The records of the First Presbyterian Church, founded in Port Gibson in 1807, appear on this reel of microfilm. They include registers of deacons, elders, communicants, baptisms, marriages, and deaths. Processed. (Z/1338.000).

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF VICKSBURG RECORDS, 1826-1967; UNDATED. 3 REELS 35 MM. MICROFILM.
The microfilmed records of the First Presbyterian Church, Vicksburg, include minutes of church meetings and the board of deacons, financial reports and business records, church histories and background material, an organizational chart, and church programs. Also contains a roll of pastors, elders, deacons, trustees, communicants, baptized children or infants, and a register of marriages and deaths dating from 1826 to 1933. Processed. (Z/1492.000).

FONSYLVANIA PLANTATION DIARY, 1863. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
This diary was kept by Alfred Quine, overseer of Fonsylvania Plantation, the Warren County, MS, property of Mrs. B. L. C. Wailes. Processed. (Z/0422.000).

HELEN E. FOOTE DIARIES, 1883-1888. 0.66 CUBIC FT.
The diaries of Helen E. Foote of Hinds County, MS, contain entries made during her schooling at the Port Gibson Female College. Processed. (Z/0195.000).

ALDEN SPOONER FORBES PAPERS, 1852-1874. 1.09 CUBIC FT. AND 1 REEL 35 MM. MICROFILM.
These papers consist of the 1856 to 1857 account book, and the abstract, typescript, and microfilm copies of the diary of Alden Spooner Forbes, who operated a general store in Port Gibson until September 11, 1860, when he moved to his Claiborne County plantation Tanglewood. Among the diary entries are a list of "war prices of articles of necessity, 1863" and a "list of property taken by Yankees." At the front of the diary abstract is a handwritten copy of the minutes of the Christian Church of Port Gibson, containing entries for 1852, 1853, and 1865. Processed. (Z/0752.000, Z/0752.001, Z/1374.000).

EDWIN WILLIAM FORD MINISTERIAL RECORD, 1880S-1920S. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
This collection consists of a bound record of sermons and funerals preached and baptisms and marriages performed by the Reverend Edwin William Ford, a Presbyterian minister who occasionally ministered in the Natchez area. Unprocessed. (Z/U/86.021).

JAMES FOSTER LETTERS, 1863. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
Within this collection are three letters written by or concerning Confederate private John S. Foster, who served in Company A, Jeff Davis Legion. He was the son of Dr. James Foster of Natchez. Processed. (Z/0426.000).

DIX FOWLER DIARIES, 1966-1985. 1.33 CUBIC FT.
This series of diaries was kept by Dix Fowler, a historic preservation contractor of Natchez, from 1966 to 1985. Unprocessed. (Z/U/94.026).

TRYPHENA HOLDER FOX PAPERS, 1826-1885; UNDATED. 2 CUBIC FT. AND 1 REEL 35 MM. MICROFILM.

Tryphena Blanche Holder Fox of Pittsfield, Berkshire County, MA, tutored George Messenger's adopted daughter at Baconham Plantation, Warren County, MS, and later married Dr. David Raymond Fox. Her husband, from Woodburne Plantation, Warren County, became a physician and planter at the plantation Hygiene, Jesuit Bend, Plaquemines Parish, LA. Tryphena Blanche Holder Fox's papers consist of original and typescript copies of Fox family correspondence describing life at the three plantations, economic conditions, slavery and her husband's medical practice. The typescript copy of Tryphena Fox's diary kept between 1861 and 1867 records her experiences in LA and MS during the Civil War that forced her family to evacuate temporarily to Vicksburg and then northeast MS. A microfilm copy available for patron use. Processed. (Z/1708.000).

THOMAS FREELAND PAPERS, 1788-1903. 0.10 CUBIC FT.

These papers focus primarily on the business transactions of Thomas Freeland of Rodney, Jefferson County, MS, containing letters, account sheets, and an 1853 New Orleans cotton price list. The papers also include a copy of an 1822 land grant. There are originals and copies of papers referring to Freeland's activities during Reconstruction, including a copy of his commission as a justice of the peace in Claiborne County in 1875; and two 1871 letters from the Reconstruction governor of LA, Henry Clay Warmoth. Processed. (Z/0794.000).

SAMUEL G. FRENCH PAPERS, 1844-1904. 1.33 CUBIC FT.

The papers of Confederate Major General Samuel G. French, resident of Warren County, MS, from 1856 to 1861, pertain to his personal and business affairs, and Confederate military history and veterans. Processed. (Z/0112.000).

JAMES ALEXANDER GAGE AND FAMILY PAPERS, 1890-1981. 2.10 CUBIC FT.

James Alexander Gage settled in Port Gibson in 1838, where he opened a furniture store and became mayor. One of his sons, Robert Douglas Gage, was president and principal stockholder of the Bank of Port Gibson. His son and grandson, in turn, served as bank presidents. The Gage family finances are the principal focus of the correspondence in this collection; and they are further documented by fiscal papers, including tax receipts, financial record books, and bank books. The papers also contain a cotton book; real property records, including five land grants to Lemuel Pitcher signed by Martin Van Buren in 1840; a library fines book; a folk-dance book; and brief genealogical material on the Gage family in MS and SC. Processed. (Z/1229.000, Z/1229.001).

R. M. GAINES LETTER, 1838. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
This November 15, 1838, letter from MS Attorney General R. M. Gaines to P. D. Vroom, former governor of NJ, concerns politics in MS and makes reference to J. F. H. Claiborne and James F. Trotter. A photocopy of the letter is also included in the collection. Processed. (Z/1488.000).

GALLOWAY FAMILY PAPERS, CA. 1810S-1960S. CA. 35 CUBIC FT.
The papers of the family of Bishop Charles Betts Galloway contain considerable material on the history of Methodism in MS, including papers of Charles Kimball Marshall, Methodist pastor of Baton Rouge, LA, and Jackson and Vicksburg, MS; and of other early ministers such as Samuel Sellers, Miles Harper, and Benjamin M. Drake. There is also material on Elizabeth Female Academy, Washington, Adams County, and an essay on Methodism in the MS District written ca. 1822 which comments on slavery and the development of black churches. Access to portions of this collection is restricted. Unprocessed. (Z/U/81.063).

THOMAS H. GANDY ALBUM, 1870S-1910S. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
This album contains black-and-white prints of exterior views and group portraits from Jefferson College and Jefferson Military College, Washington, Adams County, MS, dating from the 1870s to 1910s. The original negatives are in the collection of Dr. Thomas H. Gandy of Natchez. Unprocessed. (Z/U/77.067).

ROBERT GARLAND LETTER, 1827. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
This October 10, 1827, letter was written by Robert Garland, Vicksburg, to Isaac Caldwell, [s.l.], challenging him to a duel. Unprocessed. (Z/U/87.020).

GIBSON FAMILY PAPERS, CA. 1800-1900. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
This collection contains school notebooks and textbooks and carte-de-visite, tintype, cabinet-card, and postcard photographs of various members of the Gibson family of Vicksburg and Warren County in the nineteenth century. Of interest is a mathematics notebook that also contains Gibson family genealogical records. Unprocessed. (Z/U/80.041).

GIBSON HOUSE REGISTER, 1860-1862. 1 REEL 35 MM. MICROFILM.
This reel of positive microfilm is a copy of the register of Gibson House, which was located in Port Gibson. John G. Hastings was its proprietor. The register includes a copy of a May 1, 1862, roll of the Claiborne Guards, Company K, Twelfth MS Infantry Regiment. Processed. (Z/1002.000).

WILLIAM LAMPTON GILL PAPERS, CA. 1960-1980. 20 CUBIC FT.
The architectural drawings, correspondence, and photographs of William Lampton Gill, a Jackson, MS, architect, document the restoration of the east

and west wings of Jefferson College, Washington, Adams County, and various other Natchez and Adams County properties of architectural or historical significance. Unprocessed. (Z/U/84.002).

GILL-PRICE FAMILY PAPERS, 1860-1981; UNDATED. 3 CUBIC FT.
The Gill family lived in Amite County, MS, in the early 1800s. Included in the papers are records of William A. Gill, a merchant and banker who lived in Greensburg, Saint Helena Parish, LA, during the Civil War; started mercantile businesses in both LA and MS; and, in 1882, founded and supervised a coeducational school, the Gillsburg Collegiate Institute, Amite County. His daughter Mary Ida Gill taught there and married James H. Price, assistant director of the school and later associate justice of the MS Supreme Court. There is a photograph of the 1885-1886 faculty of the Gillsburg Collegiate Institute among the papers. Processed. (Z/1758.000).

GIRAULT FAMILY PAPERS, 1810-1820; UNDATED. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
This collection contains letters (photocopies) written by F. S. Girault, New Orleans, to his sister, Ann Mary Girault, at Madame Florian's Seminary, New Orleans, and at Bellevue, near Natchez, from 1810 to 1815. Unprocessed. (Z/U/82.021).

CORNELIUS W. GRAFTON PAPERS, 1868-1929. 2.33 CUBIC FT.
The papers are composed of the sermons, speeches and notes of Cornelius Washington Grafton, pastor of the Presbyterian Church at Union Church, Jefferson County. Grafton, a native of Madison County, MS, was pastor of Union Church from 1873 to 1934; served as moderator of the Synod of MS in 1896; and was moderator of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, United States, in 1916. Included among the papers are works on the history of the Presbyterian Church and on the Church in MS. Processed. (Z/0689.000).

MATILDA BEAUMONT GREENLEAF LETTERS, 1822; 1824. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
Two letters written by Matilda Beaumont Greenleaf form this collection. One written in 1822 from Natchez to her sister concerns family matters; the second, written in 1824 after her marriage to Daniel Greenleaf, describes her new home in Port Gibson and some of the town. Processed. (Z/1146.000).

B. W. GRIFFITH AND RONDO A. WESTBROOK PAPERS, 1800-1963; UNDATED. 5.66 CUBIC FT.
B. W. Griffith of Hinds County, MS, served as president of the First National Bank of Vicksburg from 1893 to 1928. The collection contains his correspondence, speeches, essays, a "statement to the people of Mississippi," social, and genealogical papers. Also included is considerable material of Griffith's son-in-

law Rondo A. Westbrook and of families allied to the Griffiths, such as the Whitfields and Griffings. Processed. (Z/1287.000, Z/1287.001).

DANIEL GRINNAN LETTER, 1884. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
This May 4, 1884, letter written by Daniel Grinnan, a teacher at the Chamberlain-Hunt Academy, Port Gibson, describes his plans for the next year. Processed. (Z/1130.000).

WILLIAM MCKENDREE GWIN PAPERS, 1856-1863. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
Letters and legal documents relating to a controversy over some 64,000 acres of land in TX provide the basis for the papers of William McKendree Gwin of Clinton, Hinds County, MS. Among the parties interested in the dispute were Greenwood LeFlore, William J. Minor, the heirs of James C. Wilkins, and Levin R. Marshall. The correspondence includes letters written in 1863 from Gwin to LeFlore at Carrollton, Carroll County, and to Marshall at Natchez. Processed. (Z/0443.000).

ABRAHAM HAGAMAN MEMOIR, 1873. 0.20 CUBIC FT.
Abraham Hagaman, tutor of Francis Surget's children from 1829 to 1830, held pastorates in Adams County, MS, and in East and West Feliciana parishes. Hagaman purchased properties in LA, at first near Jackson, East Feliciana Parish, and subsequently in Lake Providence, East Carroll Parish, becoming a businessman and planter. Forced to evacuate during the Civil War, he continued his ministry in St. Louis, MO, where he died in 1885. This manuscript copy of his memoir documents his education in NJ, his career in LA and MS, and his views on slavery and secession, as well as a genealogy of the Hagaman and Beekman families. A photocopy of the memoir is included for patron use. Processed. (Z/1857.000).

DAVID W. HALEY AND FAMILY PAPERS, 1814-1936. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
Correspondence to and from J. F. H. Claiborne of Adams County, MS, forms a portion of the papers of David W. Haley of Madison County, MS, who served as surveyor of Indian lands, held the contract for the removal of the Choctaw Indians after the Treaty of Dancing Rabbit Creek, and was a state senator from 1836 to 1840. Processed. (Z/0446.000).

CHARLES D. HAMILTON AND FAMILY PAPERS, 1858-1870. 0.66 CUBIC FT.
Financial, legal, and personal correspondence form the papers of Charles D. Hamilton and of his wife Lizzie of Grand Gulf, Claiborne County, MS. Many of the papers focus on Hamilton's activities as a planter and on plantations in LA. They include letters on legal affairs from E. D. Farrar of Vicksburg, and J. B. Thrasher of Port Gibson. Processed. (Z/0098.000).

HENRY HAWKINS PAPERS, 1842-1935; UNDATED. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
The Reverend Henry G. Hawkins of Natchez served as historian for the MS Conference, Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and was on the committee selected to erect a monument at Washington, Adams County, to commemorate the state's establishment. This collection includes a church conference record of Pearl River Charge, Jackson District, MS Conference, Methodist Episcopal Church, South, from 1899 to 1903. Processed. (Z/1096.000).

R. G. HAZARD PAPERS, 1837-1846. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
Eleven items of business correspondence form this collection of the papers of R. G. Hazard, a merchant of Peacedale, RI. The correspondence contains orders for slaves' clothing from planters and commission merchants of Raymond, Hinds County; Panola County; and Natchez. Processed. (Z/0453.000).

W. J. HAZLIP PAPERS, 1881-1910. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
This collection of W. J. Hazlip's papers is composed of ten items relating to Jefferson Military College, Washington, Adams County, MS. Included are receipts issued to him for loan payments from the college, an account of his heirs' repayment of a loan, and a 1905 commencement invitation. Processed. (Z/1190.000).

KATY MCCALEB HEADLEY MANUSCRIPT, 1973. 1 REEL 35 MM. MICROFILM.
This reel of negative microfilm contains a copy of the manuscript by Katy McCaleb Headley of Port Gibson on the history of Claiborne County entitled "Claiborne County, Mississippi, The Promised Land." Access restricted. Processed. (Z/0657.000).

JOHN HENDERSON PAPERS, 1834-1850. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
Six items, consisting of business papers of United States senator John Henderson of Woodville, form this collection. Processed. (Z/0456.000).

HENRIETTA MITCHELL HENRY PAPERS, 1917-1957. 4 CUBIC FT.
Henrietta Mitchell Henry, the wife of Robert H. Henry, was the first Democratic national committeewoman from MS and was prominent in both Jackson and Natchez social and political circles. Her papers contain an assortment of correspondence, genealogical data, newsclippings, pamphlets, and photographs, including a number of portraits. Processed. (Z/0097.000).

WILLIAM HESTER AND FAMILY PAPERS, 1756-1923. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
The letters, slave documents, land records, wills, financial records, and tax receipts of William Hester document his planting and business activities in Hinds and Wilkinson counties from the 1830s to 1870s. Unprocessed. (Z/U/86.028).

JAMES HILL PLANTATION JOURNAL, 1851-1855. 1 REEL 35 MM. MICROFILM.
This reel of microfilm is a copy of the daily record of weather, planting, and work performed by the slaves on the Forest Home Plantation. The plantation was probably located near Jackson, LA, in East Feliciana Parish. Many of the entries were made by James Hill, apparently the master of the plantation, who maintained a close working relationship with the slaves. Social news and business transactions are also recorded. Processed. (Z/1284.000).

C. L. HILSABECK COLLECTION, 1812; 1863. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
This collection contains photocopies of a letter, dated April 23, 1812, from Jordan Johnson, Natchez, MS Territory, to his brother, Josiah Johnson, Jeffersonville, IN Territory, discussing economic conditions in Natchez, and a parole, dated July 6, 1863, of municipal employee James W. Roby of Vicksburg. Unprocessed. (Z/U/80.023).

DANIEL HOFHEIMER PAPERS, 1848-1866; UNDATED. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
Business accounts, primarily itemized statements to customers for goods purchased of Daniel Hofheimer, a merchant of Union Church, Jefferson County, MS, form these papers. Processed. (Z/1039.000).

HOGG-YOUNG FAMILY PAPERS, 1830S-1850S. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
The correspondence (original and typescript) of various members of the Hogg and Young families of Natchez and Port Gibson, documents the social history of these communities from the 1830s to 1850s. They also contain references to the activities of the Bingaman, Gwin, Postlethwaite, Routh, Sessions, Shields, and Wilkins families of Natchez. Unprocessed. (Z/U/88.009).

DAVID HOLMES PAPERS, 1796-1825. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
The papers of David Holmes, governor of MS as both a territory and a state, and United States senator, consist of twenty-one pieces, among which are letters, certificates, and commissions pertaining to the appointment of court officials in Adams, Amite, Franklin, Warren, and Wilkinson counties. Processed. (Z/0458.000).

HOOPES FAMILY PAPERS, 1842-1868; 1961. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
These papers consist of photocopies and transcripts of Hoopes family correspondence, principally that of Edward Hoopes of Port Gibson and his wife Elizabeth. Among their correspondence are letters from Edward describing his service with the Confederate Army. A genealogical sketch of the Hoopes family is also included. Processed. (Z/1570.000).

NATHAN G. HOWARD PAPERS, 1820-1839; UNDATED. 0.66 CUBIC FT.
Nathan G. Howard was a lawyer who practiced in Warrenton and Vicksburg, Warren County, as well as in Rankin County and Jackson, MS. His papers include both legal papers and letters; among the correspondents is John A. Quitman of Natchez. Processed. (Z/0110.000).

HOWARD SOCIETY OF PORT GIBSON RECORDS, 1878-1886. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
The Howard Society of Port Gibson was organized August 12, 1878, for the purpose of aiding victims and enforcing police regulations in the event of a yellow fever epidemic. The society's records include a minute book, a cash book, and miscellaneous correspondence. Processed. (Z/1094.000).

WILLIAM BURR HOWELL AND FAMILY PAPERS, 1836-1885; UNDATED. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
The papers consist of the correspondence of members of the William Burr Howell family of Natchez, including Varina Howell (Mrs. Jefferson Davis) and her immediate family. The correspondence covers a variety of topics, ranging from family news and travels to the Civil War, and includes letters concerning Varina's education and finances. There are several letters addressed to or from the Jefferson Davis plantation, Brierfield, Warren County, MS. An April 24, 1857, letter written by Davis at Brierfield concerns flooding at the plantation and discusses a slave who had visited the Howell household. Letters from Joseph Davis Howell include an 1858 letter discussing a duel. Processed. (Z/0790.000).

LUCY SOMERVILLE HOWORTH PAPERS, 1934. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
The papers of Lucy Somerville Howorth of Cleveland, MS, include letters, copies of letters and resolutions, and newsclippings concerning the Natchez Trace, which were generated during her term as director of the Natchez Trace Highway Association. Processed. (Z/0797.000).

HENRY HUGHES PAPERS, 1837-1859; UNDATED. 0.66 CUBIC FT.
The papers of Henry Hughes of Port Gibson, noted for his social theories in defense of slavery, are composed of a diary and typewritten copies of it, lectures, a scrapbook of clippings relating to Hughes, a receipt, and correspondence. The diary covers the period 1848 to 1853. Among the lectures is an undated "Address Delivered Before the Young Ladies of Port Gibson Academy, Hebe or Hygienic Worship" and a history of Oakland College, Claiborne County. Processed. (Z/0143.000).

MARY BERTRON HUGHES PAPERS, 1849-1864. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
Seven items of family correspondence form the papers of Mary Bertron Young Hughes. The correspondence primarily concerns her and her sister's schooling, and travel with her family to NY. References are made to family and friends at Rodney, Jefferson County, and Port Gibson. Two 1864 letters from William [Hughes] written during his service in the Confederate Army, contain family and war news and mention army activity around Port Gibson. Processed. (Z/1512.000).

WILLIAM HUGHES AND FAMILY PAPERS, 1793-1917; UNDATED. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
The letters and business papers of William Hughes of Port Gibson, whose parents, Benjamin and Nancy Brashears Hughes, settled in Claiborne County, MS, in 1824, form the basis of this collection; but papers of families allied to Hughes and his wife, Mary Bertron, are present as well. There are, for example, letters to William Lindsay from David Hunt (1816) and Thomas H. Williams (1817) and thirteen items of Joseph K. Green, including land maps, records, and wills. Processed. (Z/0060.000).

BENJAMIN GRUBB HUMPHREYS AND FAMILY PAPERS, 1808-1940S; UNDATED. 0.66 CUBIC FT. AND 1 REEL 35 MM. MICROFILM.
Benjamin Grubb Humphreys, planter, Confederate brigadier general, and governor of MS, was born at Hermitage Plantation, Claiborne County. He worked in his youth in Port Gibson and in the 1830s lived on a property near the Big Black River in Claiborne County. Following his term as governor during Reconstruction (1865-1868), Humphreys worked as an insurance agent in both Jackson and Vicksburg. Original papers include correspondence, general and special orders, a roster, a scrapbook, a poem, a postcard, genealogical and printed material, and clippings relating to the Humphreys, Maury, and Hamilton families. The correspondence includes a letter from Episcopal minister Charles B. Dana to Mrs. Lizzie Hamilton. On microfilm are copies of military records and Civil War maps, a petition, correspondence related to Humphreys's Confederate military service, as well as gubernatorial and personal correspondence. The latter focuses on issues concerning the families of Humphreys and his second wife Mildred Hickman Maury after the Civil War. Access to part of the collection is restricted. Processed. (Z/1099.000, Z/1832.000). Unprocessed. (Z/U/79.035).

GEORGE WILSON HUMPHREYS AND FAMILY PAPERS, 1823-1913; UNDATED. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
These papers are an assortment of letters, indentures, petitions, notes, receipts, land descriptions, and business papers relating to the family of George Wilson Humphreys of Claiborne County, MS. The papers focus primarily on the plant-

ing interests of the Humphreys family in Claiborne and Bolivar counties. Also present in the collection are bills and receipts from various steamboats. Processed. (Z/0029.000).

ABIJAH HUNT, AND DAVID HUNT PAPERS, 1797-1840; UNDATED. 0.67 CUBIC FT. AND 1 REEL 35 MM. MICROFILM.
Abijah Hunt established the first cotton gin in Jefferson County; his nephew and successor, David, was a major planter and the owner of mercantile businesses at Natchez; Port Gibson, and near Rodney, Jefferson County. The Hunt papers include correspondence, receipts, an account book, and an inventory of notes due. A microfilm copy of the papers is available for patron use. Processed. (Z/0230.000).

DAVID HUNT LETTER, 1831. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
This February 25, 1831, letter (photocopy) was written by David Hunt, [s.l.], to John Linton, [s.l.]. Hunt was an important merchant and planter of the Natchez District. Unprocessed. (Z/U/92.041).

FELIX HUSTON PAPERS, 1831-1845. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
This collection consists of twelve letters written to Felix Huston, a KY native who moved to Natchez where he studied law and was admitted to the bar. In 1836 he led an army of five hundred men, which he had raised and equipped, to TX, where he became a major general of the Texas Army. A supporter of the annexation of TX, he died in Washington, Adams County, in 1857. Processed. (Z/1217.000).

ANTHONY HUTCHINS MANUSCRIPT, UNDATED. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
This collection consists of a photocopy of a typewritten manuscript draft, "The Hutchins Family: Extracts from Manuscripts by John Hutchins." The draft is based primarily on the memoir by John Hutchins contained in the J. Odlin Hutchins manuscript cited below, which describes life in the Natchez District in the late eighteenth century. Processed. (Z/1376.000).

J. ODLIN HUTCHINS MANUSCRIPT, 1879. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
In 1879 J. Odlin Hutchins wrote this manuscript entitled "Reminiscences in the Life [sic] of Anthony and John Hutchins." It is based on a narrative by his father John Hutchins, describing frontier life in the Natchez District during his youth and the experiences of his own father Colonel Anthony Hutchins, one of the early planters on St. Catherine's Creek and Second Creek, Adams County. To this account J. Odlin Hutchins added genealogical information on the Hutchins family. Processed. (Z/1757.000).

HYLAND-SHARKEY FAMILY PAPERS, 1830S-1930S. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
Among the papers of the Hyland and Sharkey families of Warren County, MS, are a deed of William Vick conveying property in Vicksburg to William L. Sharkey on May 23, 1836, and a manuscript copy of an 1865 executive order of President Andrew Johnson establishing three internal revenue collection districts in MS. Unprocessed. (Z/U/77.100).

MARY ANN IRVINE PAPERS, 1883; UNDATED. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
This collection contains the memoirs (fragmentary) of Mary Ann Irvine of Natchez, a typescript of her memoirs, and a genealogical record of the Irvine family. The collection contains a small but significant amount of descriptive information about persons, places, and events in Natchez prior to, during, and after the Civil War. Unprocessed. (Z/U/86.011).

ANNIE E. JACOBS MANUSCRIPT, UNDATED. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
This collection consists of a bound photocopy of a typewritten manuscript entitled "The Master of Doro Plantation — An Epic of the Old South," by Annie E. Clark Jacobs, the daughter of congressman Charles Clark, who was governor of MS during the Civil War. Jacobs's manuscript is a memoir of her own life, both at her father's home, Doro Plantation, Bolivar County, and in Natchez. The memoir contains material on domestic and plantation life, the Civil War, and Reconstruction in MS. Processed. (Z/1086.000).

JEFFERSON COLLEGE/JEFFERSON MILITARY COLLEGE RECORDS, 1803-1970S; UNDATED. 50.9 CUBIC FT.
Jefferson College, located in Washington, Adams County, MS, was chartered by the General Assembly of the MS Territory on May 13, 1802. In 1829 Jefferson Military College was formed as an addition to the college; Jefferson College was closed in 1964. The college's activities are documented by an assortment of papers: correspondence; resolutions; journals and minutes of the board of trustees; legal, financial, and student records; social papers; diplomas, catalogs and annuals; speeches, broadsides, and poems; sheet music; photographs, engravings, and architectural drawings; and books, magazines, newspapers, and newspaper clippings. Among the letters and receipts in the collection are materials concerning members of several notable Adams County families; there is correspondence of Ferdinand L. and J. F. H. Claiborne, Stephen Duncan, John A. Quitman, and B. L. C. Wailes. Processed. (Z/0059.000, Z/0059.001, Z/0059.002, Z/0059.003, Z/0059.004). Unprocessed. (Z/U/75.096, Z/U/77.002, Z/U/85.022, Z/U/88.062, Z/U/90.034, Z/U/92.026, Z/U/94.001, Z/U/94.041, Z/U/95.008).

JOHN JEFFREY AND CO. JOURNAL, 1854-1859. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
This journal contains records of John Jeffrey and Company, Vicksburg, which operated the local gas works. Processed. (Z/0473.000).

JOHN CARMICHAEL JENKINS AND FAMILY PAPERS, CA. 1792-1889. 1 REEL 35 MM. MICROFILM.
On this microfilm reel are copies of the papers of John Carmichael Jenkins, physician and planter, who practiced experimental agriculture. Married to Annis Field Dunbar, he had plantations in Wilkinson County, MS, and in West Feliciana Parish, LA, but resided after 1840 at Elgin Plantation in Adams County, MS. His papers consist of family and business correspondence, including letters written from Natchez and Woodville, financial papers, maps and plats, printed material, and a considerable number of legal papers. Processed. (Z/1574.000).

WILLIAM JOHNSON PAPERS, 1811-1859; UNDATED. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
Correspondence and business papers of William Johnson, a lawyer, planter, tax collector, clerk of the Superior Court of Law and Equity, and justice of the peace in Wilkinson County, MS, and resident of Woodville and Pinckneyville, Wilkinson County. The correspondence contains letters to Johnson from family members, including Henry Johnson, United States senator, representative, and governor of LA; letters from Adams and Wilkinson County correspondents; and letters and accounts of cotton factors. Processed. (Z/0058.000).

ARCHIBALD K. JONES AND FAMILY PAPERS, 1860-1910; UNDATED. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
These papers center around Archibald K. Jones, of Port Gibson, and his family. Jones served in the Confederate Army, Claiborne Guards, Company K, Twelfth MS Infantry Regiment, and thereafter became chancery clerk of Claiborne County, residing at the antebellum home Collina. The Jones family papers also include the papers of his brother Meredith D. Jones, a physician in the United States Navy, and the correspondence and papers of Samuel C. Green. Processed. (Z/1235.000).

BENJAMIN F. JONES PAPERS, 1830-1850. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
The seven items that form the papers of the Reverend Benjamin F. Jones of Jefferson County, MS, include his commission as justice of the peace and bills of sale for slaves. Processed. (Z/0476.000).

JONES-SMITH PLANTATION JOURNAL, 1872-1898. 1 REEL 35 MM. MICROFILM.
On this microfilm reel is a copy of the plantation journal of the Jones-Smith plantation, Jefferson County, MS, which was kept principally by W. B. Jones from 1872 to 1879 and his brother, J. H. Jones from 1879 to 1882. The journal entries by W. B. Jones cover a variety of topics: family news and social activities, weather, crops, politics and the unsettled conditions during Reconstruction, yellow fever, the coming of the railroad, and the founding of the MS State Grange.

From 1897 to 1898, entries were made by the next owner of the plantation, B. H. Smith, son-in-law of Dr. Bisland Shields, recording contracts with tenants on various plantations in Jefferson County. Processed. (Z/0890.000).

J. WHITNER KENNEDY MANUSCRIPT, 1963. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
This manuscript, written at Natchez in 1963 by the Reverend J. Whitner Kennedy, is entitled "The Life of the Reverend Benjamin Chase, as Recorded in His Own Hand, in a Two Volume Diary." Chase, born in Litchfield, NH, in 1789, was licensed to "preach the Gospel" at a meeting of the Presbytery in Jefferson County in 1820. Chase's diary, recording the events of his life from 1863 to 1865, is the basis for Kennedy's manuscript, which includes Chase's account of the effects of the Civil War on Natchez. Processed. (Z/1560.000).

SARGEANT PRENTISS KNUT TELEGRAM, UNDATED. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
This telegram (undated) of Sargeant Prentiss Knut, Central City, KY, to S. V. Stratton, Natchez, requests Stratton's assistance in detaining "John" until Knut could arrive in Natchez. Unprocessed. (Z/U/94.002).

SAMUEL H. LAMBDIN PAPERS, 1851; 1866-1868; 1870; CA. 1873. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
This collection contains scattered papers of Samuel H. Lambdin, a Natchez businessman, planter, and president of the Planter's Bank, who built the Italianate-style mansion Edgewood shortly before the Civil War. Unprocessed. (Z/U/88.053).

WILLIAM LATTIMORE, AND JAMES LEA PAPERS, 1791-1823. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
This collection of fourteen items contains correspondence of William Lattimore and James Lea (Lee) of Natchez. Among the papers are letters concerning land claims, land grants, and a map of a 1791 Western District of NC land grant to James Lea. Letters and land grants concerning the Roddy family are also included. Processed. (Z/0788.000).

WILLIAM LATTIMORE PAPERS, 1809-1817. 0.20 CUBIC FT.
Dr. William Lattimore, physician, resided in Natchez and later in Wilkinson and Amite counties, MS. He served as a representative from the MS Territory to the United States Congress and as a member of the MS constitutional convention in 1817. The six letters in his papers include three letters from Lattimore to Major James Lea; one from John Rhea, United States congressman from TN; and a letter introducing a young physician, Dr. Phoenix, to Dr. Lattimore. Processed. (Z/0486.000, Z/0486.001).

LEA FAMILY PAPERS, 1861-1864; UNDATED. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
This collection includes letters and photocopies of typescripts of letters written by Confederate soldier George S. Lea of Amite County, MS, who was killed in battle at Franklin, TN, on November 30, 1864. Also included are letters (photocopies of typescripts) written by other Lea family members during the Civil War. Unprocessed. (Z/U/93.024).

THOMAS P. LEATHERS, JR. SCRAPBOOK, 1864-1960. 1 REEL 35 MM. MICROFILM.
This positive microfilm reel is a copy of the scrapbook of steamboat captain and owner Thomas P. Leathers, whose boats included the Princess series and the Natchez, which raced against the Robert E. Lee in 1870. The scrapbook contains clippings, correspondence, memorabilia, and photographs. Processed. (Z/1662.000).

CHARLES P. LEVERICH PAPERS, 1833-1854; UNDATED. 1.43 CUBIC FT.
The papers consist of correspondence written to Charles P. Leverich, a NY merchant and cotton factor. The letters are either written by residents of the Natchez vicinity, or concern their business affairs. The many correspondents include E. B. Baker, Stephen Duncan, William J. Minor, W. Newton Mercer, A. J. Postlethwaite, and Francis Surget. Processed. (Z/0056.000). Unprocessed. (Z/U/87.017).

SETH LEWIS AND FAMILY MEMOIRS, 1847; UNDATED. 1 REEL 35 MM. MICROFILM.
This collection documents the experiences of the Judge Seth Lewis family through the memoirs of Lewis, chief justice of the MS Territory from 1800 to 1803, and attorney general of the Natchez District from 1807 to 1808, as well as the unfinished memoirs of his daughter Amelia Thomson. Processed. (Z/0900.000).

J. A. LIMERICK MANUSCRIPT, 1901. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
This manuscript consists of a cover letter and a six-page history of the town of Rodney, Jefferson County, MS of neighboring Oakland College, Claiborne County, written by J. A. Limerick of Rodney at the request of Professor J. M. White of the MS Agricultural and Mechanical College and the MS Historical Commission. Processed. (Z/1140.000).

PETER LITTLE, AND ALONZO MERCER GRIFFIN PAPERS, 1787-1921. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
Peter Little brought the first steam engine to Natchez in the early 1800s, operated a sawmill, was a planter and financier, and built Rosalie. Alonzo Mercer Griffin, nephew of Peter Little, was administrator of his estate and postmaster at

Natchez. These papers are an assortment of business records, lease agreements, family letters, financial statements, promissory notes, land records, and genealogical information relating to the Little and Griffin families. There are two survey maps by William Vousdan, surveyor general of Spanish Natchez, included in the collection. Processed. (Z/0987.000).

MRS. J. C. LOWRY MANUSCRIPT, 1959. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
This collection contains a photocopy of a typewritten manuscript entitled "History and Stories of Old Centreville," compiled by Mrs. J. C. Lowry. Centreville is located in Wilkinson County, MS. Processed. (Z/1019.000).

ROBERT LOWRY, AND JOSEPH MCAFFEE JAYNE, JR., FAMILY PAPERS, 1861-1948; UNDATED. 2.08 CUBIC FT.
This collection contains papers of Robert Lowry, lawyer, Confederate general, and governor of MS, and of the family of his son-in-law, Joseph McAffee Jayne, Jr., and includes letters from J. F. H. Claiborne, B. G. Humphreys, and other prominent Mississippians. Processed. (Z/0694.000, Z/0694.001).

ANDREW MACRERY AND FAMILY PAPERS, 1803-1861. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
Dr. Andrew Macrery was a physician in Natchez and the owner of Roseland Plantation in Adams County, MS. His papers include letters of appointment and introduction, an 1861 statement of school expenses to Audley Britton, guardian of Henry and Wallace Macrery, and miscellaneous papers. Processed. (Z/0522.000).

MAGEE'S CREEK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION MINUTES, 1887-1940. 1 REEL 35 MM. MICROFILM.
This reel of positive microfilm is a copy of the published minutes of the Magee's Creek Baptist Association of MS, including obituaries and statistical tables. Formed in 1880, the association was composed of churches from Tangipahoa and Washington parishes, Louisiana, and from Amite, Marion, Pike, and Walthall counties, MS. Processed. (Z/1585.000).

JAMES TRUEMAN MAGRUDER PAPERS, 1780-1831. 0.99 CUBIC FT. AND 1 REEL 35 MM. MICROFILM.
James Trueman Magruder was both the owner and captain of merchant ships and a Jefferson County, MS, planter. The papers include a letter from his brother Leonard A. Magruder and a manuscript by Alexander Leonard Covington Magruder, his son, advocating the prohibition of the importation of slaves for sale. The principal items of the collection are ship's logs tracing Magruder's voyages, and plantation and cotton books describing farming operations, and social

activities at his Mount Ararat Plantation near Church Hill, Jefferson County. A microfiche copy of a portion of the papers is available for patron use. Processed. (Z/0692.000, Z/0889.000).

MANSION HOUSE DAYBOOK, 1837-1838. 0.66 CUBIC FT.
The daybook of the Mansion House, Natchez, includes notes on the estate of Elijah Bell, apparently the owner of the Mansion House. Processed. (Z/0300.000).

ANDREW MARSCHALK PAPERS, 1795-1825; UNDATED. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
Nine items form the papers of Andrew Marschalk, who was assigned to Natchez by congressman James Wilkinson in 1799 to print the laws of the newly created MS Territory and became the first public printer in MS in 1818. Correspondence, a promissory note and protest for its payment, a page of forms for advertisements, and two bills for printing, including one to Jefferson College, Washington, Adams County, are included. Processed. (Z/0523.000).

CHARLES KIMBALL MARSHALL PAPERS, 1834-1891; UNDATED. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
These papers contain correspondence, sermon notes, a notebook, and an autobiographical sketch of Dr. Charles Kimball Marshall, Methodist minister of Vicksburg, Natchez, Baton Rouge, New Orleans, and other towns in MS and LA. The collection includes letters from Marshall and his daughter Annie DeMoss to Bishop Charles Betts Galloway and a notebook kept by Marshall during the yellow fever epidemic of 1878. Processed. (Z/1092.000).

ANNE SHANNON MARTIN DIARY, 1863-1864. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
The diary of Anne Shannon Martin of Vicksburg contains entries for 1864 and account entries for 1863. The Crutcher-Shannon family papers contain her correspondence. Processed. (Z/1355.000).

JONATHAN MCCALEB MARTIN PAPERS, 1878. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
Five letters to John McCaleb Martin form this collection. Martin, a lawyer of Port Gibson, served terms in the MS House of Representatives and Senate. The letters principally relate to legal and political matters or concerns of the MS legislature. Processed. (Z/1581.000).

MICHAEL MARTYN LETTER, 1774. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
Written by Captain Michael Martyn to Rufus Putnam, August 17, 1774, when Martyn was living on the Amite River in LA, this letter discusses the geographical conditions of the area, the disposition of Martyn's lands, the opening of new lands in MS, and an expedition sponsored by General Lyman on the Big Black River in MS. Processed. (Z/0966.000).

SAMUEL MASON TRIAL RECORDS, 1803; UNDATED. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
The official record of Samuel Mason's 1803 trial for robbery, with a translation, forms this collection. Mason was a highwayman who operated on the MS River and in the Natchez area. This trial was conducted by the military authorities of the Spanish government in New Madrid, and recorded in French. Processed. (Z/0273.000).

JAMES H. MAURY PAPERS, 1837-1866. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
Seven items, primarily correspondence, form this collection of papers of James H. Maury of Port Gibson, who was a MS state representative and senator. Processed. (Z/0733.000).

MAYES-DIMITRY-STUART FAMILY PAPERS, 1840-1948; UNDATED. 5.33 CUBIC FT.
Among the papers of the family of Oscar J. E. Stuart of Summit, Pike County, there are two items (1880) by J. F. H. Claiborne of Natchez and typewritten reminiscences of Florence Bowmar Carson concerning Vicksburg. Processed. (Z/0069.000).

WILLIAM MCALISTER JOURNAL, 1842-1845. 0.66 CUBIC FT.
This journal records accounts of William McAlister, a merchant of Natchez. Processed. (Z/0280.000).

DUNCAN MCARN AND FAMILY PAPERS, 1834-1950S. 4.32 CUBIC FT.
Duncan McArn first taught school in Franklin County, MS, and then, around 1835, moved to Union Church, Jefferson County, where his family operated a cotton plantation with business outlets in Natchez, Rodney, Jefferson County, and New Orleans. Among the family papers are personal and business correspondence, diaries kept by various members of the Duncan McArn family, receipts, invoices and accounts, and miscellaneous items, including a hymnal, pocketbook, prayer book, sewing patterns, needlework catalogs, and examples of Confederate stationery. Processed. (Z/1487.000). Unprocessed. (Z/U/87.004).

HARRY MCCAIN PAPERS, 1904-1908. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
These papers contain the correspondence and social papers of Harry McCain, then a student at Jefferson Military College, Washington, Adams County, MS. The correspondence consists of letters to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Watt McCain of Lexington, Holmes County. Processed. (Z/1523.000).

WILLIAM H. MCCARDLE PAPERS, 1863-1893; UNDATED. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
The papers of William H. McCardle, soldier, newspaper editor, and author of Vicksburg, consist of correspondence and manuscript material used for writing Robert Lowry and William H. McCardle's A History of Mississippi, from the Discovery of the Great River by Hernando DeSoto, Including the Earliest Settlement Made by the French, under Iberville, to the Death of Jefferson Davis (1891), and include C. P. Wilson's "Wilkinson County: A Lecture." Processed. (Z/0101.000).

ROBERT C. MCCAY ACCOUNT BOOKS, 1856-1891. 2 REELS 35 MM. MICROFILM.
On these reels of negative microfilm is a copy of the mercantile account books of Robert Cothran McCay of Rocky Springs, Claiborne County, MS. Processed. (Z/1021.000).

MCCOMAS FAMILY MANUSCRIPT, 1959. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
This collection consists of a typewritten manuscript with handwritten annotations of "A Natchez Seance, or the Return of a Rebel Mother," a pageant based on the life of Anna McComas, wife of General Josiah H. McComas, by Neva Fortenberry (Mrs. Kirby) Thompson. Included in the manuscript are McComas family photographs and a photocopy of a letter written by Anna McComas on June 18, 1850. Processed. (Z/0505.000).

DANIEL WASHINGTON MCCORMICK DIARY, 1866-1880. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
Daniel Washington McCormick was a farmer near Union Church, Jefferson County, MS. This diary (photocopy) records daily farming activities, the weather, the health of family members, and the activities of Union Church area residents. The diary also contains financial and crop records. Processed. (Z/1746.000).

JESSE DEKALB MCDONALD SCRAPBOOK, 1947-1948. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
This scrapbook records events and grades and contains news articles and photographs relating to Jesse DeKalb McDonald, later adjutant to the staff of Jefferson Military College, Washington, Adams County, during his attendance at the college from 1947 to 1948. Processed. (Z/1346.000).

MCGEHEE FAMILY PAPERS, 1854-1874. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
The papers consist of photocopies of letters and the original plantation journal of the McGehee family of Wilkinson County, MS. The letters are primarily family correspondence; the plantation journal was kept by the overseer of Western View, A. J. Vance, and records cotton crop production and routine tasks for

the year 1859, with one page of expenses noted for 1866. The location of Western View remains uncertain, though it was probably situated either near Port Hudson, East Baton Rouge Parish, or in Wilkinson County. Processed. (Z/0899.000).

JAMES MCHENRY LETTER, 1798. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
This March 31, 1798, letter from James McHenry, secretary of war, to David Henley requests that Henley send dispatches to Natchez and Walnut Hills, Warren County, announcing the passage of the bill for establishing a government for the MS Territory. Processed. (Z/0508.000).

JOHN P. MCNEILL ESTATE RECORDS, 1820S-1850S. 0.66 CUBIC FT.
This collection contains financial and legal records concerning the administration of the estate of John P. McNeill of Natchez. Alvarez Fisk served as McNeill's executor. Unprocessed. (Z/U/92.021).

ALEXANDER G. MCNUTT PLANTATION RECORDS, 1835-1845. 0.10 CUBIC FT. AND 1 REEL 35 MM. MICROFILM.
These eight items, business papers of Alexander G. McNutt, a planter of Warren County, MS, concern his financial difficulties in operating his plantation and his purchase of slaves from George Rust of VA in 1835. A microfilm copy is available for patron use. Processed. (Z/0517.000).

SAMUEL DAVIDSON MCPHERSON PAPERS, 1807; 1855; 1857-1860. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
This collection includes letters written by Samuel Davidson McPherson, a faculty member of both Jefferson College, Washington, Adams County, and Oakland College, Claiborne County, MS. Unprocessed. (Z/U/88.037).

J. H. MCRAE LETTER BOOK, 1848-1855. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
The manuscript letter book of J. H. McRae, found in the old McRae Bank building in Vicksburg, contains letters from 1848 to 1855. Processed. (Z/0518.000).

THOMAS JEFFERSON MEREDITH LETTER, 1849. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
This March 9, 1849, letter, written by Thomas Jefferson Meredith, near Little Rock, AR, to George H. Kimbrough at Wahalak, Kemper County, MS, describes Meredith's journey from Kemper County to Jackson and Vicksburg and up the MS and AR rivers. Processed. (Z/1717.000).

METCALFE FAMILY PAPERS, 1847-1893; UNDATED. 2 REELS 35 MM. MICROFILM.

This positive microfilm reel contains a copy of the plantation records and accounts of the Metcalfe family of Adams County, MS, describing family activities, management, and crop production, on the Adams County plantations of Bourbon, The Grove, Woodland, and York. Also includes a book for the Adams County plantation Berkeley. An account book of James Wistar Metcalfe records personal expenses, and expenses for Beau Pres and Ingleside plantations in Adams County; Desert Plantation in Wilkinson County, and Ackland Plantation in Catahoula Parish, LA. The account and plantation books serve to document plantation life in MS, and the effects of the Civil War and Reconstruction on the state. Processed. (Z/1874.000).

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, SOUTH, VICKSBURG DISTRICT. KINGSTON-WASHINGTON CIRCUIT MINUTES, 1861-1882. 1 REEL 35 MM. MICROFILM.

This collection consists of a negative microfilm copy of two minute books of the Quarterly Conference for the Kingston-Washington Circuit (Adams County), Vicksburg District, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, covering sessions from 1861 to 1882. Processed. (Z/0933.000).

EMILY VAN DORN MILLER PAPERS, 1866-1907. 0.10 CUBIC FT.

The papers of Mrs. Emily Van Dorn Miller consist of twelve pieces: a genealogical record, and correspondence to her concerning her brother, Major General Earl Van Dorn of Port Gibson, and his assassination in 1863. The correspondence includes originals and copies; there are original letters of Fitzhugh Lee and Franklin L. Riley and a copy of one letter from Jefferson Davis. Processed. (Z/0527.000).

KATHERINE GRAFTON MILLER SCRAPBOOK, 1930-1965. 1 REEL 35 MM. MICROFILM.

On this reel of positive microfilm is a copy of the scrapbook kept by Katherine Grafton (Mrs. J. Balfour) Miller, tracing the history of the Natchez Pilgrimage, which she first organized in 1931. The scrapbook also includes photographs, histories, and information on the Pilgrimage houses. Processed. (Z/1183.000).

W. J. MILLER NOTEBOOK, CA. 1907. 0.10 CUBIC FT.

The political campaign notebook of W. J. Miller of Panola County, MS, a candidate for state insurance commissioner in 1907, contains lists of public officials and political contacts in beats, wards, and precincts of various counties, including Adams County. Unprocessed. (Z/U/78.001).

MINOR FAMILY PAPERS, CA. 1811-1941; UNDATED. 3 CUBIC FT.
This collection of papers of the Minor family of Adams County, MS, contains correspondence, literary papers, newsclippings, and photographs relating to Catherine Surget Minor and Jeanne Minor McDowell, and the financial and legal papers of Duncan Minor. It also includes two items of correspondence and a photograph of John Minor and three miscellaneous items relating to Stephen Minor. Access to portions of this collection is restricted. Processing in progress. (Z/1876.000).

MISCELLANEOUS MANUSCRIPTS COLLECTION, CA. 1787-1966; UNDATED. 1.33 CUBIC FT.
The miscellaneous manuscripts collection consists primarily of correspondence, with some speeches, business, and legal documents. The collection is formed of one- or two-item donations, several of which concern residents of the Grand Gulf, Natchez, Port Gibson, or Woodville areas, or planters and businesses in Adams, Amite, Claiborne, Franklin, Jefferson, Wilkinson, and Warren counties. An alphabetical listing of the manuscripts by sender (or recipient if sender is unknown), author, or assignee is available. Processed. (Z/1600.000).

JOHN W. MONETTE PAPERS, 1845-1851; UNDATED. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
The papers of Dr. John Wesley Monette consist of letters and two poems he composed. The letters were written from Washington, Adams County, and Islington Plantation, Madison Parish. Many are directed to firms of cotton factors in New Orleans; thirteen, addressed to Harper and Brothers, NY, concern Monette's 1846 History of the Discovery and Settlement of the Valley of the Mississippi. Processed. (Z/0055.000).

A. T. MONTGOMERY DIARY, 1908. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
The diary of A. T. Montgomery of Belmont Plantation, Claiborne County, MS, contains journal entries from January to September 1908 and notes concerning the plantation for 1891. Processed. (Z/0292.000).

JEFFERSON DARDEN MONTGOMERY DIPLOMA, 1851. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
This collection contains a parchment baccalaureate diploma of Jefferson Darden Montgomery, Oakland College, Claiborne County. Unprocessed. (Z/U/79.087).

JOSEPH A. MONTGOMERY AND FAMILY PAPERS, 1808-1849. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
The correspondence of the Montgomery, Smylie, and Bolls families of Amite, Claiborne, and Wilkinson counties, MS, who were prominent in the Presbyterian Church, includes two letters from Oakland College, Claiborne County, written by James Montgomery. Processed. (Z/0537.000).

L. W. MONTGOMERY ACCOUNT BOOK, 1827-1829. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
Originally a cash book belonging to L. W. Montgomery, of Belmont Plantation, Claiborne County, MS, the book was later used as a scrapbook, causing many pages of detailed accounts to be pasted over. Processed. (Z/0293.000).

LOUISE MONTGOMERY MANUSCRIPT, 1971. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
This collection consists of a photocopy of Mrs. Louise Montgomery's English translation of Les Natchez by Francois-Rene, vicomte de Chateaubriand, and correspondence concerning the manuscript and its possible publication. Les Natchez concerns the activities of the French in MS, particularly at Fort Rosalie. Processed. (Z/1179.000).

JEFFERIS H. MOORE JOURNAL, 1809-1818. 0.10 CUBIC FT. AND 1 REEL 35 MM. MICROFILM.
The journal of Jefferis H. Moore covers, in part, a daily record of his journey from Westchester County, PA, to Port Gibson in 1809; the military draft held in Port Gibson in 1813; a list of his correspondents; and a receipt for goods. A microfilm copy is available for patron use. Processed. (Z/1424.000).

SAMUEL BLANCH MOORE LETTERS, 1863. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
The three letters in this collection were written by Samuel Blanch Moore, a farmer from Liberty, Amite County, MS, to his wife Mary. They describe his Confederate military service as a sergeant in the Seventh MS Infantry Regiment in TN and his reflections on the fall of Vicksburg. Processed. (Z/1800.000).

MARBURY MORRIS PAPERS, 1840-1841. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
The reports and statements (photocopies) issued by the New Orleans cotton factor Reynolds, Byrne, and Company account for cotton sales of Marbury Morris, a Wilkinson County, MS, planter. Unprocessed. (Z/U/86.029).

WILLIAM EUGENE MORSE PAPERS, 1933-1975; UNDATED. 3.53 CUBIC FT.
The papers of William Eugene Morse include a manuscript entitled "Livingston — the Town that Saved Natchez," containing historical information on Natchez, the Natchez Trace, and Livingston, Madison County; two manuscripts concerning the Warren County plantation of Jefferson Davis, Brierfield; and a 1971 printed copy of the master plan for site development of the Grand Village of the Natchez Indians, Natchez. Processed. (Z/0991.000, Z/0991.001, Z/0991.002, Z/1435.000).

MURPHREE-FORD FAMILY PAPERS, 1920S-1940S. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
This collection includes a typewritten manuscript of MS Lieutenant Governor and Governor Dennis Murphree, entitled "Brierfield — Home of Jefferson Davis" and a black-and-white photograph of a portion of the front gallery of Brierfield taken shortly before it burned in 1931. Unprocessed. (Z/U/79.072).

JUDITH SARGENT MURRAY PAPERS, 1765-1818; UNDATED. 3 CUBIC FT. AND 7 REELS 35 MM. MICROFILM.
Judith Sargent Murray of Gloucester, MA, sister of Winthrop Sargent, first governor of the MS Territory, was the second wife of the Reverend John Murray, a Universalist minister. An early American feminist writer, she was noted for her three-volume compilation of essays and plays entitled The Gleaner (1798). Her papers consist of essays, poems, and twenty letter books containing copies of her outgoing correspondence from 1765 to 1818. Murray's letters to Winthrop Sargent at his Natchez residence, Gloucester, illuminate his service as governor of the MS Territory and the life of his family there. She discusses his activities as a planter, his marriage to Mary McIntosh Williams, and the education of their children and of Adam Lewis Bingaman and William Surget, sons of Natchez-area planters. Murray's correspondence mentions many Natchez-area personalities, as well as the marriage of her daughter, Julia Maria Murray, to Adam Lewis Bingaman. After their marriage, Murray corresponded with them at the Bingaman plantation, Fatherland, Adams County, before joining them in MS, ca. 1818; she died at Oak Point Plantation, near Natchez, in 1820. A microfilm copy is available for patron use. Processed. (Z/1827.000).

MAGGIE WILLIAMS MURGROVE PAPERS, 1852-1938; UNDATED. 0.99 CUBIC FT.
Maggie Williams Musgrove was one of the founders of the Irwin Russell Memorial Association, Port Gibson, and a writer for the Works Progress Administration Claiborne County history. Contained in this collection are correspondence related to the Memorial, handwritten copies of Russell's works, and notes and typescripts of material for the history of Claiborne County and Port Gibson. For further material on Russell and the Memorial, see collections cited below. Processed. (Z/1114.000).

NATCHEZ GARDEN CLUB RECORDS, 1929-1991; UNDATED. 10.66 CUBIC FT. AND 10 REELS 35 MM. MICROFILM.
The records of the Natchez Garden Club include bylaws and resolutions, minutes and annual reports, correspondence, legal and financial records, publicity materials, membership records, plans, and philately. They document the history of the club (first organized in 1927 as a women's civic improvement organization), its numerous activities, and its influence on the community of Natchez.

While the central focus of the records is the development of the Natchez Pilgrimage and the economic impact generated by the tourism it promotes, the records also trace the club's role in other arenas, including the restoration of the House on Ellicott Hill and the William Johnson House. A microfilm copy of some material is available for patron use. Processed. (Z/1818.000). Unprocessed. (Z/U/91.043).

NATCHEZ HISTORICAL SOCIETY COLLECTION, 1800S-1960S. 4.40 CUBIC FT.
The papers and records collected by the Natchez Historical Society, Natchez, primarily from Natchez-area sources, include autographs of Confederate generals, lithographs, photographs, sketches, maps, postcards, contracts, deeds, records of Natchez-area businesses and societies, newspapers, family Bibles, and scrapbooks. Unprocessed. (Z/U/94.016).

NATCHEZ MERCANTILE DAYBOOK, 1839-1842. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
This account book of an unidentified merchant of Natchez records the prices of items purchased. Processed. (Z/1024.000).

NATCHEZ PILGRIMAGE COLLECTION, 1930S-1980S. 1 CUBIC FT.
This collection includes brochures, programs, and magazine and newspaper articles pertaining to the Natchez Pilgrimage from the 1930s to 1980s. Also included are copies of minutes, correspondence, petitions, and resolutions pertaining to the schism that developed in the Natchez Garden Club and which eventually led to the formation of the rival Pilgrimage Garden Club. Unprocessed. (Z/U/88.027).

NATCHEZ PRIVATE WIRE COMPANY, LETTERPRESS COPYBOOK, 1904-1905. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
The letterpress copybook of the Natchez Private Wire Company, a Natchez firm, contains a record of cotton-trading information dispatched by telegraph. Unprocessed. (Z/U/88.049).

NATCHEZ STEAM BOAT COMPANY, STOCK CERTIFICATE BOOK, 1815-1820. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
This book contains stubs and stock certificate forms of the Natchez Steam Boat Company, Natchez. Processed. (Z/0296.000).

NEW PROVIDENCE BAPTIST CHURCH RECORDS, 1838-1878. 1 REEL 35 MM. MICROFILM.
The New Providence Baptist Church, Amite County, MS, was organized in 1805 and destroyed in 1930. This positive microfilm copy of the minutes of the church conferences also contains membership rolls. Processed. (Z/1729.000).

EARL M. NORMAN AND FAMILY PAPERS, 1918-1951. 1.33 CUBIC FT.

These papers contain family letters, business correspondence, photographs, and seven studio registers of Earl M. Norman, son of master photographer H. C. Norman, who came to Natchez in 1870. Principally, the collection consists of private papers documenting family hardship and sickness during years of the Depression, with scattered business papers concerning the Norman Studios in Natchez. There are also assessments of the Knights of Pythias, in postcard form. Processed. (Z/0985.000).

NUTT FAMILY PAPERS, 1805-1937; UNDATED. 3.19 CUBIC FT. AND 1 REEL 35 MM. MICROFILM.

The papers of the Nutt family of Adams County, MS, are an assortment of correspondence, legal and financial documents, slave lists, social papers, newspapers, and printed material. Included is a typescript copy of a portion of a diary kept by Dr. Rush Nutt, covering his tour through the western part of the United States in 1805 and containing material concerning the Natchez Trace. Correspondence files exist for several family members, including Rush, Haller, Julia, and John Nutt, and Sargeant Prentiss Knut, that detail their planting, financial and family interests in both MS and LA, including information about their Natchez estate, Longwood. Postwar material covers the claim of the Haller Nutt Estate against the federal government for wartime depredations, as well as genealogical information about the Routh, Ker, and Williams families. A microfilm copy of a portion of these papers is available for patron use. Processed. (Z/1065.000, Z/1474.000, Z/1519.000, Z/1817.000).

OAKLAND COLLEGE RECORDS, 1829-1914; UNDATED. 2 CUBIC FT.

The records contain correspondence, minutes, lectures, speeches, and poems, financial papers, photographs, catalogs, magazines, and periodicals, newsclippings, and a trip diary, relating to Oakland College, Claiborne County, MS. Oakland College was established by the Presbyterian Church in 1830, and chartered by the State of MS in 1831. Sold to the state in 1871, it became the site of the present Alcorn State University. The records include the papers of Dr. Jeremiah Chamberlain, who was president of Oakland College. Processed. (Z/1649.000).

ORDER OF THE SISTERS OF MERCY RECORDS, 1879-1887; 1961. 1 REEL 35 MM. MICROFILM.

This microfilm reel contains a copy of papers of the Order of the Sisters of Mercy, formed in Vicksburg, on October 12, 1860. The papers consist of a typewritten account of the order's activities in Vicksburg during the yellow fever epidemic of 1879, by Mother M. Anglea Fedou; an anonymous diary (1883-1886) that includes an 1887 letter from the Bishop of Natchez to the rector of the American College, Rome, Italy; a typescript history of the order; and a thesis by

Sister M. Ethelbert De Muth, R. S. M., entitled "Thy Mercies Will I Sing," dated 1961. Processed. (Z/1408.000).

J. E. PARDEE LETTERS, 1851-1853. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
The seven pieces forming this collection are letters written by J. E. Pardee, at Natchez, to his cousins in New Haven, CT, concerning their carriage business in Natchez. Processed. (Z/0554.000).

JOSEPH C. PASSMORE LETTERS, 1842. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
These two letters from Natchez and Vicksburg, written by Joseph C. Passmore, a lawyer and member of the Northern Episcopal Church, describe the conditions he encountered in MS while on a banking mission. (Z/0552.000).

ALBERT BOWDRE PAYNE PAPERS, 1899-1906. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
This collection concerns Albert Bowdre Payne's attendance at Jefferson Military College, Washington, Adams County, MS, from 1899 to 1900. It includes not only family correspondence but programs, sketches, and booklets concerning Jefferson Military College. Processed. (Z/1184.000).

CHARLES C. PECK PAPERS, 1838-1841. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
These fourteen business papers of Charles C. Peck of Natchez concern financial matters. Processed. (Z/0556.000).

DAWSON A. PHELPS MANUSCRIPTS, 1966; UNDATED. 0.43 CUBIC FT.
Two manuscripts by Dr. Dawson A. Phelps, historian, Natchez Trace Parkway, form this collection. The first, a study of colonial Natchez, is entitled "Natchez: A History." The second, a copy of Research Project No. 104, Natchez Trace Parkway, is entitled "Rocky Springs," and presents material on the Natchez Trace in its history of the Claiborne County community. Processed. (Z/0863.000, Z/0898.000).

PHILLIPS FAMILY PAPERS, 1850S-1920S. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
This collection contains scattered financial and legal records of various members of the Phillips family of Claiborne County, MS. Unprocessed. (Z/U/92.022).

PINE RIDGE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH RECORDS, 1807-1966. 2 REELS 35 MM. MICROFILM.
These two reels of negative microfilm contain copies of session books and a board of trustees minute book of the Pine Ridge Presbyterian Church of Washington, Adams County, MS. Organized in 1807 as the Washington Presbyterian Church, it became Salem Church and then, in 1827, Pine Ridge Church. Processed. (Z/0962.000).

POITEVENT FAMILY PAPERS, 1848-1976; UNDATED. 18.83 CUBIC FT.

The papers of the Poitevent family include those of Schuyler Poitevent, Sr., who lived in Mexico and then at Ocean Springs, Jackson County, MS. His papers include correspondence and five notebooks concerning his extensive collection of Indian artifacts and stories he authored concerning the Natchez Indians and early MS. Processed. (Z/1751.000, Z/1751.001).

PORT GIBSON FEMALE COLLEGE RECORDS, 1813-1908. 0.33 CUBIC FT. AND 1 REEL 35 MM. MICROFILM.

The Port Gibson Female College had its origins in the purchase of land in 1829 by the trustees of Clinton Academy; in 1854, the property was sold to the Port Gibson Collegiate Academy and then deeded to the Methodist Episcopal Church in 1869. Named the Port Gibson Female College in 1881, it remained in existence until 1928. This collection includes an 1813 letter from William Turpin of Washington, MS Territory; articles of agreement and association between the owners of the academy in 1843; a minute book of the board of trustees of the college from 1844 to 1908; and lists of graduates from 1855 to 1892. A microfilm copy is available for patron use. Processed. (Z/1331.000).

PORT GIBSON METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, SOUTH, METHODIST LADIES COOPERATIVE ASSOCIATION MINUTES, 1871-1911. 1 REEL 35 MM. MICROFILM.

This microfilm reel contains copies of a history of the Methodist Ladies Cooperative Association of the Port Gibson Methodist Episcopal Church, Claiborne County, MS, written by Kate Archer Drake in 1942; two minute books of the association, covering 1871 to 1911; and the cradle roll of the Sunday school, which was organized in 1903. Processed. (Z/0827.000).

PORT GIBSON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH RECORDS, 1826. 0.20 CUBIC FT. AND 1 REEL 35 MM. MICROFILM.

Within this collection are an original, photocopy and microfilm copy of the manuscript list of subscribers to the cost of erecting the Presbyterian Church in Port Gibson in 1826. Processed. (Z/0968.000). Unprocessed. (Z/U/75.100).

POSEY, CARNOT, AND FAMILY PAPERS, 1840-1863; UNDATED. 0.67 CUBIC FT.

This collection has copies of nine letters of the family of Carnot Posey. Born in Wilkinson County, MS, in 1818, Carnot Posey served in the Mexican War and formed the "Wilkinson Rifles," part of the Sixteenth MS Infantry Regiment of the Confederate Army. The letters include his correspondence; that of his first wife, Mary Collins, of Adams County; and correspondence to his second wife, Jane White, of Wilkinson County. Processed. (Z/1449.000).

POSTLETHWAITE FAMILY PAPERS, 1836-1970S; UNDATED. 0.99 CUBIC FT.

The papers consist of personal and business correspondence, legal, financial, and genealogical records of the Postlethwaite family of Natchez. Alexander James Postlethwaite moved to Natchez in 1834 from Carlisle, PA, and operated a dry goods company, as documented by his business correspondence. The personal correspondence includes letters of Mary Postlethwaite; two 1849 letters describing a voyage up the MS River on the steamboat Magnolia; and an undated letter concerning a yellow fever epidemic in Natchez. A typewritten manuscript entitled "How and Why the Adams Light Artillery Was Organized," by A. J. Postlethwaite is also included. Processed. (Z/1849.000). Unprocessed. (Z/U/85.005).

JOHN LOGAN POWER AND FAMILY PAPERS, 1800-1958. 9 CUBIC FT. AND 2 REELS 35 MM. MICROFILM.

John Logan Power served in the Confederate Army, as superintendent of army records with the rank of colonel; helped establish the newspaper Mississippi Standard; and was elected secretary of state of MS in 1895 and 1899. Original papers in the collection consist of correspondence, writings and speeches, scrapbooks, and newsclippings. There are microfilm copies of correspondence, particularly that written by Power when editor of the Weekly Clarion, Jackson, to his wife at Union Church, Jefferson County; a diary; legal and financial papers; and newsclippings. The papers document Power's service in the Confederate Army, principally during the siege of Vicksburg, and include three broadsides he published describing the progress of a yellow fever epidemic. Processed. (Z/0100.000, Z/0708.000, Z/1401.000).

SEARGENT SMITH PRENTISS PAPERS, 1842-1845. 0.10 CUBIC FT.

This collection of seven items of correspondence and business papers of United States congressman and Natchez lawyer Seargent Smith Prentiss, includes four letters to General Felix Huston. Processed. (Z/0572.000).

PRESTON FAMILY PAPERS, 1780S-1960S. 10 CUBIC FT.

This collection includes correspondence, photographs, and other papers of the family of J. R. Preston, who served as State Superintendent of Education from 1886 to 1896. Preston also served as president of Belhaven College in Jackson and Stanton College in Natchez. J. R. Preston's daughter, Frances Preston Mills, was the editor of volumes one and two of The History of the Descendants of the Jersey Settlers of Adams County, Mississippi, (1981). Unprocessed. (Z/U/92.040).

MARGARET PRIESTLEY LETTERS, 1840. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
This collection consists of photocopies of two letters written in January 1840. The first, from William Dunbar, Natchez, assures Margaret Priestley that he has not received the annuities about which she had written him. The second, written by Margaret Priestley at St. James' Parish, LA, informs her nephew, who had supposedly forwarded the annuities to Dunbar, of this fact. Processed. (Z/1383.000).

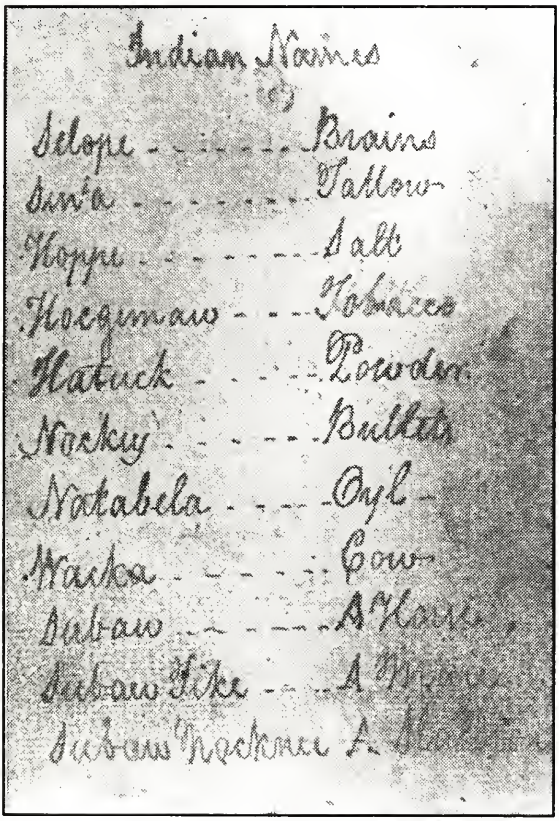
PROTECTION INSURANCE COMPANY RECORDS, 1834-1835. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
The records document the transfer of stock and powers of attorney and the appointment of proxies in the Protection Insurance Company, Natchez, and include a notice regarding a stockholders' meeting in 1834, signed by Secretary J. Beaumont. Processed. (Z/0576.000).

PULLEN-CARSON FAMILY PAPERS, 1841-1960. 3.99 CUBIC FT.
Papers of the families of both William H. Pullen, Jr., a resident of Jackson and owner of the insurance agency Nugent and Pullen; and of his wife Catherine Carson of Natchez, form this collection. The papers include family correspondence, a Carson and Shields letter book (1872-1875), two account journals of James Carson of Natchez (1841-1862), and papers relating to the Carson family interest in the Dixiana Stud Farm in Lexington, KY. Processed. (Z/1431.000, Z/1465.000).

JOHN A. QUITMAN AND FAMILY PAPERS, 1812-1931; UNDATED. 3.83 CUBIC FT. AND 2 REELS 35 MM. MICROFILM.
John Anthony Quitman of Natchez was a lawyer and planter who served in several political offices, including those of United States congressman and governor of MS. Family papers include correspondence, particularly that of his son Frederick Henry Quitman, who corresponded with J. F. H. Claiborne about state and national politics, and the 1853 yellow fever epidemic. Fragments of typescripts and manuscripts, financial and legal papers, photographs, a scrapbook, newsclippings, and genealogical information relating to the Quitman, Turner, Goffe, Lovell, McNealus, and Aylette families are included in the collection, as are military papers and an order book documenting John A. Quitman's service in the Mexican War. A plantation account book records ferry runs, supply and livestock inventories, slave lists, sales of wood, and the general management of his Adams County plantation, Springfield. A microfilm copy of the Springfield Plantation Account Book (1841-1853) is included for patron use. Processed. (Z/0066.000, Z/0066.001, Z/0156.000, Z/0156.001, Z/0913.000).

PERCY LEE RAINWATER PAPERS, CA. 1828-1961; UNDATED. 1.66 CUBIC FT.

The papers of Percy Lee Rainwater, head of the history department of the University of MS, Oxford, contain correspondence, typescript copies of historical documents used for his research, and drafts and copies of his typewritten manuscripts. These last include works on the territorial growth of MS; on Elizabeth Female Academy, Washington, Adams County; and on Horace Smith Fulkerson of Vicksburg, author of Random Recollections of Early Days in Mississippi (1885). There is material relevant to Natchez, Vicksburg, and Warren County among the research materials assembled by Rainwater. A few items of correspondence concern Adams County and secession. Processed. (Z/0052.000).


Indian Names
Selope - - - - - - Brains
Sin'a - - - - - - - Tallow
Hoppe - - - - - - - Salt
Hoegemaw - - - Tobacco
Hatuck - - - - Powder
Nockey - - - - - Bullets
Natabela - - - - Oyl
Wacka - - - - - Cow
Subaw - - - - - A Horse
Subaw Tike - - - A Mare
Subaw Nockner A Stallion

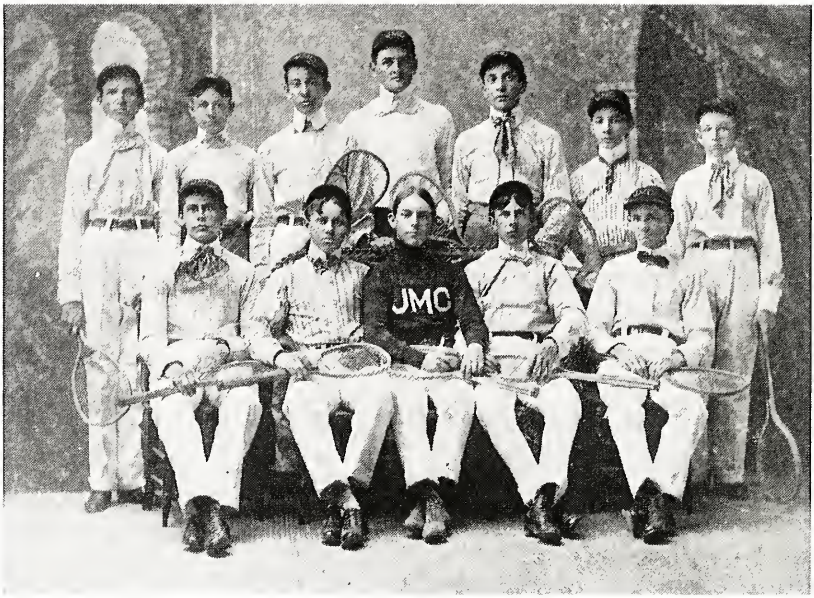
Choctaw vocabulary from the notebook of Natchez-area resident George Rapalji. [George Rapalji Notebook (Z/0580.000).]

GEORGE RAPALJI NOTEBOOK, 1788-1797. 0.10 CUBIC FT.

This notebook of George Rapalji, who lived near Natchez, contains accounts, notes, and a brief Choctaw vocabulary. A typescript copy is also available. Processed. (Z/0580.000).

HUGH H. RATHER PAPERS, 1894-1902; UNDATED. 0.33 CUBIC FT.

Hugh H. Rather, of Holly Springs, Marshall County, MS, was a cadet at Jefferson Military College, Washington, Adams County, from 1898 to 1902. His papers contain correspondence, a report card, printed material including an 1898-1899 Jefferson Military College catalog, and photographs of the college cadets, ca. 1898 to 1902. Processed. (Z/1707.000).



Tennis team of Jefferson Military College, Washington. [Rather Papers (Z/1707.000).]

SAMUEL C. REAGAN MERCANTILE LEDGER, 1859-1862. 1 REEL 35 MM. MICROFILM.
This positive microfilm copy of an indexed ledger records the accounts of Samuel C. Reagan, apparently a merchant of Vicksburg. It includes accounts for advertising; bills payable and receivable; cash, expense, and interest; cotton; insurance; merchandise; moveables; and profit and loss; as well as personal accounts for clients in LA and MS. Processed. (Z/1691.000).

THOMAS BUCK REED LETTER, 1823. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
This letter by Thomas Buck Reed, a KY native who moved to Natchez and became city clerk, state attorney general, and United States senator, was written to Stephen H. Strong at Liberty, Amite County, concerning the case of Samuel W. Foreman in the Orphans Court of Adams County. Processed. (Z/1192.000).

CHARLES K. REGAN PAPERS, 1890-1898; UNDATED. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
Charles K. Regan was a delegate from Claiborne County to the MS Constitutional Convention of 1890. His papers focus primarily on the convention, containing unbound minutes of both committees for 1890; the minute book of the Committee on Elective Franchise, Apportionment, and Elections for the same year; an autograph book of members of the convention; and printed materials relating to the convention, including "To the Democracy of Claiborne County," by Charles Regan. Processed. (Z/0038.000).

ELIZABETH P. REYNOLDS PAPERS, 1970S-1980S. 3 CUBIC FT.
This collection contains photographs, negatives, notes, printed material, and other records documenting the artistic career of nineteenth-century portrait painter Thomas Cantwell Healy who lived at Lucknow Plantation in Claiborne County, MS. A copy of Elizabeth P. Reynolds's master's degree thesis entitled "Beginning to Live Upon Canvas: A Catalogue of the Known Works of Thomas Cantwell Healy," is also included. Unprocessed. (Z/U/92.013, Z/U/92.039)

JAMES CALHOUN RICE PAPERS, 1926-1971; UNDATED. 1.66 CUBIC FT.
James Calhoun Rice, a native of Tallahatchie County, MS, established his medical practice at Natchez. In 1925 he was co-founder, with Drs. Charles and John Chamberlain, of the Chamberlain-Rice Hospital, which later became Natchez General Hospital. He also served in the MS Senate. These papers document his medical and political career through personal and professional correspondence; papers concerning Lake St. John, Concordia Parish; letters to the editor of the Natchez Democrat; speeches; a scrapbook; a photograph; newsclippings; biographical and printed material. Processed. (Z/1370.000, Z/1370.001).

KATHERINE C. RIDDELL AND FAMILY PAPERS, 1800S-1980S; UNDATED. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
This collection includes family papers and genealogical records assembled by Katherine C. Riddell of Jackson, pertaining to various members of the Wailes and allied families, many of whom settled in the Natchez District in the early nineteenth century. Unprocessed. (Z/U/89.002).

FRANKLIN L. RILEY PAPERS, 1898-1902. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
The miscellaneous correspondence of Franklin L. Riley, secretary of the MS Historical Society, includes a letter from Mahala P. H. Roach, containing a sketch of the early history of Woodville. Processed. (Z/0583.000).

MRS. ROACH LETTER, 1897. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
This letter written by Mrs. Roach, from Vicksburg, to her son contains descriptions of Varina Howell Davis and of Joseph Davis's plantation, Hurricane, Warren County, MS. Processed. (Z/1194.000).

JOHN J. ROBACHER PAPERS, 1862-1894; UNDATED. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
The papers of John J. Robacher contains correspondence with his family and associates discussing life in Vicksburg, where Robacher resided during and shortly after the Civil War, and his attempts to start a grocery store. There are also military and social papers relating to Robacher's life in Vicksburg. Processed. (Z/1766.000).

NANCY MCDOUGALL ROBINSON AND FAMILY PAPERS, 1832-1884; UNDATED. 1.99 CUBIC FT. AND 1 REEL 35 MM. MICROFILM.
Nancy McDougall Robinson, born in 1808 in Hamilton, Canada, moved with her family to Claiborne County, MS, where she married Alfred Bassett Robinson. In 1832 she began keeping diaries containing observations on life, friends, and events in early MS. In addition to her diaries, the collection includes correspondence, slave lists and accounts (1861-1862), birth, death, and legal records, recipes, photographs, payment receipts, and photocopied genealogical material. A microfilm copy of a portion of the papers is available for patron use. Processed. (Z/1308.000, Z/1308.001).

RODNEY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH RECORDS, 1852-1919. 1 REEL 35 MM. MICROFILM.
In this microfilm copy of the record book of the Rodney Presbyterian Church, Jefferson County, MS, are included historical, sessional, and statistical sections. Processed. (Z/0828.000).

THOMAS RODNEY PAPERS, 1771-1945. 0.20 CUBIC FT.
Thomas Rodney was a lawyer, politician, land commissioner, and judge who resided in Jefferson County, MS Territory. The papers contain an original and typescript copy of a diary describing Rodney's journey through the country around Natchez in September 1804 and mentioning early Natchez settlers such as Ferdinand L. Claiborne. Correspondence includes a letter to Dr. William Lattimore, territorial representative in the United States Congress, concerning land claims, and a number of letters written by Rodney under the pen name Hermes that deal with early American politics. A book of poems; and a holographic will dated September 1785 are also included. Processed. (Z/0587.000, Z/0798.000).

ROSELAND PLANTATION RECORDS, 1801-1881, UNDATED. 3 REELS 35 MM. MICROFILM.
This microfilm copy of records belonging to the Ayres family contains correspondence, legal and financial papers, and a cotton book (1853-1859) relating to their property of Roseland Plantation, Adams County, MS, and financial papers of the firms of Cannon and Nichols and Cannon and Ayres of Natchez. Material relating to the family of Dr. Andrew Macrery of Roseland, and the related family of the Hendersons is also included. Processed. (Z/1413.000, Z/1413.001).

ELIZABETH MAGRUDER ROSS LETTERS, 1854-1872. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
The transcripts and photocopies of the letters of Elizabeth Magruder Ross of Claiborne County, MS, are rich in information concerning Windsor Plantation, which belonged to the Daniell family of Claiborne County. Processed. (Z/1480.000).

ISAAC ROSS AND ISAAC ROSS WADE FAMILY PAPERS, 1835-1861. 0.10 CUBIC FT. AND 1 REEL 35 MM. MICROFILM.
These papers include photocopies of the will of Captain Isaac Ross of Prospect Hill Plantation, Jefferson County, MS; correspondence of Isaac Ross Wade and his wife, including letters written by freed slaves who were resettled in Liberia; and lists of slave births at Prospect Hill Plantation. A microfilm copy is available for patron use. There is further material on the slaves of Prospect Hill Plantation and on Liberia in the Isaac Ross Wade Papers. Processed. (Z/1000.000).

ROUTH-WILLIAMS-SMITH FAMILY PAPERS, 1790S-1960S. 3.75 CUBIC FT.
This collection contains correspondence, photographs, legal and financial records, handwritten and typewritten manuscripts, plats and diagrams, genealogies, and clippings relating to the Routh, Williams, and Smith families of Natchez and Saragossa Plantation, Adams County, MS. Unprocessed. (Z/U/94.034).

ERON OPHA MOORE ROWLAND PAPERS, UNDATED. 1 CUBIC FT.
This collection of manuscripts and papers concerning the research of Eron Opha Moore (Mrs. Dunbar) Rowland includes a typewritten printer's copy of her manuscript, Life, Letters and Papers of William Dunbar of Elgin, Morayshire, Scotland, and Natchez, Mississippi: Pioneer Scientist of the Southern United States (1930). Processed. (Z/0153.000).

ROYAL ROUTE COMPANY RECORDS, 1903-1940. 1 CUBIC FT.
The Royal Route Company was a steamboat, barge, ferry, and towing business of Vidalia, Concordia Parish, LA, chartered in 1903. These business records document daily work and tonnage and include blueprints of ferry boats. Among the records are those of Prince and Wilds, the partnership which controlled the Royal Route Company, and the Natchez and Vidalia Ferry. Processed. (Z/0986.000).

HIRAM G. RUNNELS AND BENJAMIN LEONARD COVINGTON WAILES LETTERS, 1837. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
A March 15, 1837, letter from Hiram G. Runnels, Benton, Yazoo County, to B. L. C. Wailes, Washington, Adams County, MS, and a March 21, 1837, reply from Wailes to Runnels concerning Jefferson College finances. Unprocessed. (Z/U/94.043).

IRWIN RUSSELL PAPERS, 1877-1916; UNDATED. 0.43 CUBIC FT.
The papers consist of an original manuscript and copy of "Christmas-Night in the Quarters" by Irwin Russell, a poet of Port Gibson, and copies of original papers in the Irwin Russell Memorial, Harriette Person Memorial Library, Port

Gibson. The papers contain materials on Russell's family and career, including an 1878 letter from Russell giving instructions for yellow fever treatment, and two brochures from Port Gibson Collegiate Academy. Processed. (Z/0744.000, Z/1193.000).

MRS. DARRELL W. RYKER COLLECTION, 1974. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
This collection consists of typescripts of lectures given in Natchez during the summer of 1974 that were introduced by Mrs. Darrell W. Ryker. The lectures concern the archaeology and history of Natchez, the early press, planter and slave relations, architecture, and the history of Wilkinson County. Participants in the series included Melvin Kellogg Bruss, Ernesto Caldeira, Bruce Davis, Warren Koon, Ron Miller, Gene Cox, William T. Blaine, R. Stuart Nitzell, Dr. Thomas Gandy, Dr. Robert Brent, and Dr. William Scarborough. Processed. (Z/1457.000).

SARAH KNOX HARRIS SAGER AND FAMILY PAPERS, 1793-1921; UNDATED. 2 CUBIC FT.
The papers of Sarah Knox Harris Sager of Port Gibson contain business and personal correspondence, a diary (1905-1908), financial records, scrapbooks, recipe and memorandum books, and material relating to her family. The latter includes not only genealogical data, but account books of her mother, Jennie Vertner Sevier Harris, and a medical notebook of Dr. George Washington Sevier. Processed. (Z/1230.000).

ST. ALBAN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH RECORDS, 1857-1920. 1 REEL 35 MM. MICROFILM.
This microfilm copy of the register of St. Alban's Episcopal Church, Warren County, MS, contains a history of the church; correspondence; lists of parishioners, baptisms, confirmations, communicants, marriages, and burials; and photographs of church members. Processed. (Z/1440.000).

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH RECORDS, 1823-1968; UNDATED. 0.10 CUBIC FT. AND 1 REEL 35 MM. MICROFILM.
This collection contains a positive microfilm copy of two registers of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Woodville, MS, with lists of communicants, baptisms, burials, and marriages. There is also a folder of photocopies, including a list of rectors, a diagram of church property, newspaper articles, and materials on the history of St. Paul's. Processed. (Z/0992.000).

SALVO AND BERDON CANDY COMPANY RECORDS, 1884-1950. 23 CUBIC FT.
Within this collection are the correspondence, business papers, ledgers, journals, day, time, order, and cash books, and promotional material of the Salvo and

Berdon Candy Company of Natchez. Organized in 1883, it specialized in the manufacture, wholesale, and retail sale of confectionery and mineral water to clients, particularly in southwestern MS and east-central LA. There are a few items in the papers concerning two laundries operated by the Salvo family, as well as a soft-drink company, which the candy company apparently operated. Processed. (Z/0930.000).

ALBERT G. SANDERS PAPERS, 1926-1932. 0.66 CUBIC FT.
The papers of Albert Godfrey Sanders include correspondence, memoranda, and copies of French documents that Sanders accumulated while translating documents published in the three-volume Dunbar Rowland and Albert Godfrey Sanders Mississippi Provincial Archives: French Dominion, 1701-1743 (1927-1932). Processed. (Z/0045.000).

SARGENT FAMILY ALBUM, UNDATED. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
This album contains photographs of portraits and photographs of various Sargent and allied family members of Gloucester and Boston, MA, Natchez, and elsewhere. It includes images of Winthrop Sargent, John Murray, Judith Sargent Murray, Adam Lewis Bingaman, Julia Maria Murray Bingaman, Epes Sargent, Lucius Manlius Sargent, John Singer Sargent, and many others. Also included are images of the residences of various Sargent family members, Sargent family coats-of-arms, and Sargent family genealogical charts. Unprocessed. (Z/U/91.029).

WINTHROP SARGENT WILL, 1822. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
This collection consists of a copy of the August 6, 1822, will of Winthrop Sargent. Processed. (Z/0601.000).

ELLEN STEELE SATTERFIELD JOURNAL, 1923. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
This journal by Ellen Steele Satterfield of Port Gibson records stories she heard as a child including recollections of Windsor Plantation, Claiborne County, MS, and the Civil War and Reconstruction. Processed. (Z/0602.001).

SCHWARTZ AND STEWART COMPANY RECORDS, 1869-1944; UNDATED. 4.33 CUBIC FT.
Among the records of Schwartz and Stewart Company, Natchez, are business ledgers, financial papers, journals, letter books and correspondence, including that of R. P. Stewart. The hardware store's records contain a street plan of Natchez's Main Street; a July 3, 1933, ledger listing social institutions in MS; pictures of the Natchez Drug Store fire of March, 1908, a list of employees killed in it, and their funeral arrangements; and material from the MS Board of Public Welfare (1932-1934). Processed. (Z/1273.000, Z/1273.001).

SCHWARTZ MERCANTILE LEDGER, 1859-1874. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
This ledger from the Schwartz general merchandise store, Woodville, contains accounts from 1859 to 1874. Unprocessed. (Z/U/83.020).

ABRAM M. SCOTT WILL, 1833. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
This certified copy of the last will and testament of Governor Abram M. Scott, of Wilkinson County, MS, names Gerard C. Brandon of Wilkinson County as executor and was recorded in the probate clerk's office in Wilkinson County on September 6, 1838. Processed. (Z/1015.000).

J. W. T. SCOTT MANUSCRIPTS, UNDATED. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
This collection consists of two manuscripts: "Theatricals in Natchez, Mississippi, between 1817-1841/1842," and "Vicksburg Ante-Bellum Theatricals," compiled ca. 1908 by J. W. T. Scott, son of James M. Scott, a Vicksburg and Natchez theatrical manager. Processed. (Z/0190.000).

GEORGE SELSER PAPERS, 1789-1817. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
The fifteen items in the George Selser papers concern land ownership and include papers pertaining to a property dispute between Selser and John Griffing, as well as plats of land in the Natchez area owned by Selser. Processed. (Z/0606.000).

J. F. SESSIONS PAPERS, 1862-1891; UNDATED. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
This collection contains the correspondence and military papers of Franklin County native J. F. Sessions, who served first in Company K of the Seventh MS Infantry Regiment of the Confederate Army and later as commandant of the Post of Woodville. Processed. (Z/0608.000).

WILLIAM L. SHARKEY PAPERS, 1841-1865. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
William L. Sharkey moved to Warren County, MS, in 1803 and was a law partner with John I. Guion in Vicksburg. The public offices Sharkey held include member of the MS legislature, chief justice of the High Court of Errors and Appeals of MS, chief justice of the MS Supreme Court, U.S. consul to Havana, Cuba, and provisional governor of MS in 1865. The five papers in this collection concern his stay in Havana, his oath of amnesty, and his appointment as provisional governor by President Andrew Johnson. Processed. (Z/0697.000).

JOSEPH DUNBAR SHIELDS MANUSCRIPT, 1876. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
Joseph Dunbar Shields, the son of William Bayard Shields, was born at the Jefferson County plantation Rokeby, practiced law at Natchez, and became an author and newspaper contributor. This manuscript is entitled "A Historical Sketch of Adams County, Mississippi, delivered at the Centennial Anniversary of American Independence by Joseph D. Shields at the request of the Natchez Light Infantry." Processed. (Z/0967.000).

SARAH SHIELDS MANUSCRIPT, 1967. 1 REEL 16 MM. MICROFILM.
On this reel of positive microfilm is a copy of a research paper written by Sarah Shields, entitled "John Bisland, an original member of the Mississippi Cotton Aristocracy." Bisland, a native of Scotland, developed an extensive cotton plantation from his 1782 Spanish land grant in the Natchez District. Processed. (Z/0969.000).

THOMAS H. SHIELDS PAPERS, 1937-1951. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
Thomas H. Shields was born at Rokeby Plantation, Jefferson County, MS, and served in the Spanish-American war as captain of Company A, First MS Infantry Regiment. He also acted as secretary for the Episcopal Diocese of MS. The twenty-three items composing his papers principally concern his work with the church and with Spanish-American War veterans and include a history of the Harry C. Marshall Auxiliary to the United Spanish War Veterans compiled by Mrs. Thomas H. Shields. Processed. (Z/0612.000).

HENRY FREDERICK SHUGART DIARY, 1835-1866. 1 REEL 35 MM. MICROFILM.
This reel of positive microfilm contains a copy of the diary of Henry Frederick Shugart. Originally from Glade Springs, VA, he worked as a plantation overseer for the Wooster family of Warren County, from the late 1830s to the early 1840s, and as a farmer in Dallas County, AR, from the early 1840s to the 1860s. The diary also contains an anonymous physician's accounts from 1835 to 1837. Processed. (Z/1704.000).

Slavery Collection, 1805-1859. 0.33 cubic ft.
This collection consists of twenty-one items relating to slavery in MS. Principally composed of estate inventories, the collection includes sale notices, bills, and receipts concerning slaves. Among the inventories is one for 1858 from the estate of Dugald McMillan, Amite County. Processed. (Z/1405.001).

ARCHIBALD SMITH PAPERS, 1850-1917; 1957. 1 REEL 35 MM. MICROFILM.
This reel of microfilm contains copies of papers principally relating to Archibald Smith of Jefferson County, MS. These include a ledger of Archibald and Angus Washington Smith for Shadyside Plantation (1850-1868; 1915-1917). Among the miscellaneous material in the collection is an 1868 list of Buie family births and deaths. Processed. (Z/1461.000).

FRANKLIN SMITH DIARY, 1846-1847; 1855. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
This diary of Captain Franklin Smith of Canton, Madison County, MS, assistant quartermaster in the United States Volunteers in the Mexican War, con-

tains his descriptions of the war in Mexico, tracing his 1846 journey from Canton, through Vicksburg and Natchez, to Camargo, Mexico. Processed. (Z/0618.000).

GEORGE SMITH AND JAMES MCKENZIE PAPERS, 1845-1911. 0.10 CUBIC FT.

Among the photocopies of four items that form the papers of Union soldiers George Smith and James McKenzie is the copy of a letter from George Smith to his sister, Hatt, describing the battles of Grand Gulf and Port Gibson, and mentioning a visit to the plantation of Windsor, Claiborne County, MS, on May 6, 1863. Processed. (Z/1454.000).

MARY FRIEDERIKE QUITMAN OGDEN SMITH PAPERS, 1901-1903; 1909; UNDATED. 0.33 CUBIC FT.

This collection contains letters written by Mary Friederike Quitman Ogden Smith, daughter of Mexican War general and MS governor John Anthony Quitman of Monmouth, Natchez, to her second husband, Austin Williams Smith of Natchez, from 1901 to 1909. The Smiths lived in New York City after their marriage. Typescripts of her letters are also included. Unprocessed. (Z/U/95.010).

PHILANDER SMITH PAPERS, 1809-1816. 0.10 CUBIC FT.

The papers consist of two letters from Philander Smith, merchant of Natchez and Federalist Party member of the MS territorial legislature to his brother in MA, discussing politics and business in Natchez. Processed. (Z/0621.000).

JOHN SNODGRASS AND FAMILY PAPERS, 1803-1877; UNDATED. 0.30 CUBIC FT.

These papers are an assortment of letters, business papers, and account books of Claiborne County, MS, planter John Snodgrass and his family. Among the account books are a time book and notebook for Lynwood Plantation, and John Snodgrass's account book with the firm Broughton and Allison in Rodney, Claiborne County. Processed. (Z/0624.000, Z/0624.001, Z/0624.002).

SOUTHWESTERN LAND COMPANY MINUTES, 1893-1898. 0.33 CUBIC FT.

The Southwestern Land Company minute book records the proceedings of a few meetings of the charter members and directors of the company, which was located in Port Gibson. In the first meeting Elijah Steele Drake was elected president. Processed. (Z/0312.000).

HORATIO NELSON SPENCER PAPERS, 1828-1984; UNDATED. 0.86 CUBIC FT.
Horatio Nelson Spencer moved to Port Gibson in 1828, where he built the residence Holyrood for his brother, Israel. An elder in the Port Gibson Presbyterian Church, Spencer helped organize and served as first president of both the Bank of Port Gibson and the Grand Gulf and Port Gibson Railroad. Journals and a cotton book document Spencer's management of the plantation, Almont, and his interests in other plantations; they contain lists of slaves and records of crop production. The papers also contain a daybook, correspondence, photographs, and genealogical records. Processed. (Z/0196.000). Unprocessed. (Z/U/89.031, Z/U/92.003).

FRANCES SPRAGUE SCRAPBOOK, 1881-1887. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
This scrapbook of Frances Sprague of Natchez, mother-in-law of Judge Josiah Winchester of Natchez, includes clippings on the Natchez Fencibles and prominent personalities. Processed. (Z/0285.000).

H. SPROLE SCRAPBOOK, 1889-1905. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
Dr. H. Sprole, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Vicksburg, compiled this scrapbook. Processed. (Z/1357.000).

ELIZABETH BRANDON STANTON PAPERS, CA. 1917; 1925. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
Elizabeth Brandon Stanton of Windy Hill Manor, Natchez, was the author of "Fata Morgana" (1917). Her papers consist of three items: a typescript copy of a letter, a broadside concerning the book, and a letter from Stanton giving genealogical data on the Caldwell, Pierce, and Brandon families. Processed. (Z/0835.000).

ROBERT L. STANTON PAPERS, 1842-1884. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
The papers consist of ten items of correspondence of Robert Livingston Stanton, Presbyterian minister and president of Oakland College, Claiborne County, MS, from 1851 to 1854. Processed. (Z/0625.000).

ISAAC H. STANWOOD PAPERS, 1849; 1851-1855; 1860. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
This collection includes the correspondence of Isaac H. Stanwood, a native of Portsmouth, NH, who was a partner in the mercantile firm Stanwood and Buckley, of Woodville, and a friend and business associate of planter James L. Trask of Wilkinson County, MS. The majority of Stanwood's letters were written to his parents in Portsmouth, and they recount his experiences in the Woodville area and provide commentary on such contemporary political issues as sectionalism, secession, and temperance. Unprocessed. (Z/U/90.027).

ELIJAH STEELE PAPERS, 1835-1841; UNDATED. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
The Reverend Elijah Steele was a Methodist minister who was assigned first to the Amite Circuit and served in missions or churches at Port Gibson and Grand Gulf, Claiborne County, MS; Washington, Adams County; and Woodville, Wilkinson County. There are eighteen items of correspondence of Elijah Steele in this collection, which was extracted from the papers of Benjamin M. Drake. Among his correspondents are Henry Hampton and R. R. Bridges; Mary A. Steele; and William Winans. Processed. (Z/1219.000).

CHARLES D. STEWART LETTERS, 1862. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
Included in this collection are letters written by Charles D. Stewart to his future wife, Selah Kate Ray, of Natchez, and a song entitled "Dixie," composed in Natchez. Processed. (Z/1276.000).

JANE HYDE WEST STEWART MANUSCRIPTS, 1964-1965. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
The copies of three typewritten manuscripts by Jane Hyde West Stewart concern Jefferson County topics. The manuscripts are entitled "Fayette Female Academy," "Gardening in Jefferson County, Mississippi, from Territorial Days to Today," and "A History of Old Greenville." Unprocessed. (Z/U/94.027).

ROBERT PERCY STEWART PAPERS, CA. 1917-1918. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
This collection contains correspondence, memoranda, orders, manuals, regulations, reports, rosters, ordnance and quartermaster records, and lesson notes of Natchez native Captain Robert Percy Stewart, Fifth Company, Second Infantry Battalion, United States Army, who was stationed at the Infantry Central Officers Training School, Camp Pike, AR, during World War I. Unprocessed. (Z/U/94.006).

STOCKETT-TERRELL FAMILY PAPERS, 1824; 1828; 1841. 0.66 CU. FT.
This collection contains a deed of Richard and Lucretia Terrell conveying property in Natchez to Benjamin Farrar in September of 1824; a deed of William and Frances A. Dillahunty conveying property in Wilkinson County to Joseph Johnson Stockett on August 9, 1828; and a deed of Elizabeth Stockett conveying property in Wilkinson County to Isaac Johnson Stockett on January 14, 1841. Unprocessed. (Z/U/78.047).

LAURA DRAKE SATTERFIELD HARRELL STURDIVANT PAPERS, CA. 1913-1979. CA. 25 CUBIC FT.
This collection includes correspondence, research and subject files, genealogical records, speeches, photographs, printed material, clippings, and other papers of Laura Drake Satterfield Harrell Sturdivant, daughter of Milling Marion and Laura Drake Satterfield of Port Gibson. Sturdivant was an editor at the MS Depart-

ment of Archives and History at the time of her retirement in 1975. Her papers contain various files relating to the history of the Natchez District. Unprocessed. (Z/U/80.017).

SURGET FAMILY PAPERS, CA. 1795-1867; UNDATED. 6 REELS 35 MM. MICROFILM.

This microfilm copy of the papers of the Surget family of Adams County, MS, contains a wealth of material on the property and financial transactions of these major Natchez area planters. In addition to legal papers relating to the many holdings of the Surget family in MS and LA, there are plantation and overseers' account books and papers relating to the purchase of slaves or hire of plantation workers. There is also a considerable amount of correspondence among the papers, particularly of Francis and Eustace Surget, and of Stephen Duncan. Processed. (Z/1496.000).

SURGET-MCKITTRICK-MACNEIL FAMILY PAPERS, CA. 1811-1980. CA. 21 CUBIC FT.

The papers of the Surget, McKittrick, and MacNeil families of Natchez and Adams County also contain material on members of related families, including the Bingamans, Boyds, McRaes, and Stantons. Correspondence and financial papers principally form the collection, which contains an assortment of legal, genealogical, and social papers, and includes photographs, newsclippings, and printed material. The papers focus on the activities of James Surget, Jr., and his wife, Charlotte Catherine Boyd Surget; their daughter Charlotte Linton Surget and her husband David Lawrence McKittrick; and their daughter Grace McKittrick MacNeil. There are numerous financial records concerning the Adams County plantations owned by these families, including Aventine, Cherry Grove, Elms Court, Fatherland, Linwood, Montebello, and Palatine. These records include plantation and tenant accounts, livestock journals, and records on horse breeding and racing. Processing in progress. (Z/1795.000).

RICHARD SWESY LAND GRANT, 1785. 0.10 CUBIC FT.

This November 16, 1785 Spanish land grant from Joseph Forresten to Richard Swesy for land near Natchez is accompanied by an English transcription. Processed. (Z/1462.000).

HOWELL TATUM JOURNAL, 1814-1815. 0.33 CUBIC FT.

This collection consists of a bound typewritten copy of "Major H. Tatum's Journal While Acting Topographical Engineer (1814) to General Jackson, Commanding 7th Military District." While the War of 1812 journal focuses on locales and events concerning Pensacola, Mobile, and the Battle of New Orleans, it also contains references to the military career of Thomas Hinds of Greenville, Jefferson County. Processed. (Z/0305.000).

LEWIS L. TAYLOR PAPERS, 1836-1840. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
Among the miscellaneous business papers of Jackson merchant Lewis L. Taylor is a receipt from Abram Womack for slaves who had been mortgaged to Adam Lewis Bingaman of Adams County, MS. Processed. (Z/0636.000).

ALCINDA TIMBERLAKE PAPERS, 1911. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
The papers consist of two items: an original manuscript of Eliza Ann Lanier's recollections of conditions in Warren County during the Civil War, and a typescript copy annotated by her granddaughter, Alcinda Timberlake. Processed. (Z/0648.000).

SETH TOBEY ACCOUNT BOOK, 1804-1808. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
This account book of ship captain Seth Tobey not only records cargo receipts and disbursements to crews aboard the ships President and Juno, but includes two letters from Mississippi state treasurer Samuel C. Wooldridge to Edward Turner of Natchez, both dated February 1825. Processed. (Z/0737.000).

TRASK-VENTRESS FAMILY PAPERS, 1791-1921. 16 REELS OF 35 MM. MICROFILM.
The families of Major James L. Trask and James Alexander Ventress had land holdings in Wilkinson County, MS, where their plantation home, La Grange, was located, and in Concordia Parish, LA. This collection of microfilm copies of their papers consists of correspondence, and fiscal and legal documents such as land grants, deeds, and indentures. The papers focus on the production, sale, and transportation of cotton and the management of the Trask and Ventress holdings. Bills of sale and slave lists document slavery on the plantations, and there are materials relating to the Civil War. A number of the papers were generated from the following areas: Natchez and Washington, Adams County; Fort Adams and Woodville, Wilkinson County; Grand Cut-Off, Concordia Parish, and Pointe Coupée Parish. For related material, see the James Alexander Ventress Papers (Z/1813.000). Processed. (Z/0607.000, Z/0607.001).

TRIGG-BODLEY-HURST FAMILY PAPERS, 1700S-1900S. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
Among this primarily Greenville and Washington County, MS-related collection is a photocopy of a March 9, 1848, letter written by C. S. Church of Vicksburg to "Lou" relating news of family and friends. Unprocessed. (Z/U/76.039).

TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH RECORDS, 1822-1890. 1 REEL 35 MM. MICROFILM.
The microfilm copy of the records of the Trinity Episcopal Church, Natchez, contains vestry minutes, a parish register, and miscellaneous papers. Processed. (Z/0715.000).

EDWARD TURNER PAPERS, 1813-1826. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
Edward Turner of Natchez was a judge and member of the MS legislature and the 1817 constitutional convention. Eleven items of his business letters and papers form this collection. Processed. (Z/0652.000).

M. M. ULLMAN AND COMPANY RECORDS, 1890S-1950S. 13.66 CUBIC FT.
This collection contains the financial records of M. M. Ullman and Company, formerly a Natchez clothing store. Unprocessed. (Z/U/89.035).

UNION CHURCH METEOROLOGICAL SCRAPBOOK, 1880S-1900S. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
This scrapbook contains meteorological records primarily for the Union Church, Jefferson County, MS, area from the 1880s to 1900s. Unprocessed. (Z/U/78.056).

UNION CHURCH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH RECORDS, 1817-1951. 0.10 CUBIC FT. AND 1 REEL 35 MM. MICROFILM.
The records consist of microfilm and photocopies of the minutes of the Union Church Presbyterian Church, Jefferson County, MS, which was organized in 1817. Included are lists of members, deacons, elders, baptisms, marriages, and deaths. Among the baptismal records are those of black church members. Processed. (Z/1630.000). Unprocessed. (Z/U/82.023).

JAMES ALEXANDER VENTRESS AND FAMILY PAPERS, 1804-1923; UNDATED. 3.75 CUBIC FT.
Correspondence, diaries, essays, land records, photographs, printed materials, and photocopied genealogical records form this collection of personal papers of James Alexander Ventress, which complements the business records found in the Trask-Ventress Family Papers (Z/0607.000). Planter, scientist, lawyer, and legislator, Ventress served in both the MS House of Representatives and Senate, helped to found the University of MS, and resided at La Grange Plantation, Wilkinson County. Processed. (Z/1813.000).

VERNON-MCGEHEE FAMILY PAPERS, 1797-1967; UNDATED. 0.10 CUBIC FT. AND 1 REEL 35 MM. MICROFILM.
This collection, donated by the McGehee family of Natchez, consists primarily of the papers of the allied Vernon family of Natchez. Within the collection are original, microfilm, and photocopies of correspondence, social papers, and genealogical materials. The correspondence consists principally of letters from William Rousseau Cox Vernon to his wife, Rowena Crane Vernon, who was a teacher at Elizabeth Female Academy, Washington, Adams County, before her marriage. Two letters, one from William Vernon and one from Mary McGuire Bard, describe the Natchez tornado of May 7, 1840, and its effects. Processed. (Z/0885.000).

VESUVIUS, STEAMBOAT ACCOUNT BOOK, 1821-1823. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
This book records accounts of the steamboat, Vesuvius, owned by the Natchez Steam Boat Company. Processed. (Z/0758.000).

VICK-PHELPS FAMILY PAPERS, 1810-1906. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
These papers, including correspondence and wills, concern the families of Burwell Vick and his sons, Henry W. and Gray J. Vick, and that of Dr. A. J. Phelps of Nitta Yuma Plantation, located on Deer Creek, Washington County, MS. The papers contain an 1810 MS Territory indenture; lists of slaves mortgaged or for sale, dating from 1834 to 1849; and papers relating to land transfers in Madison, Sharkey, Warren, Washington, and Yazoo counties. Processed. (Z/0030.000).

VICKSBURG MERCANTILE LEDGER, 1857-1860. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
This ledger is from an unidentified general merchandise store located in Vicksburg. The accounts date from 1857 to 1860. Unprocessed. (Z/U/78.049).

BATTAILLE HARRISON WADE AND FAMILY PAPERS, 1867-1951. 5 CUBIC FT.
Battaille Harrison Wade of Prospect Hill, Jefferson County, MS, served in the MS Senate, and was active in Jefferson County education. His papers are an assortment of family letters, business correspondence and records, and land records. Plantation account books form a major part of the collection, which includes daily cotton market quotations from Julius Weis and Company, New Orleans, for the period 1893 to 1903. There is also an indexed compilation of Jefferson County cemeteries for whites and blacks, listing those buried in each cemetery. Processed. (Z/0982.000).

ISAAC ROSS WADE PAPERS, 1845-1855; UNDATED. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
These sixteen letters to Isaac Ross Wade from his attorneys, H. T. Ellett and John Ker, concern the litigation involving the estate of Wade's grandfather, Captain Isaac Ross, of which Wade was the executor. The twelve-year legal battle with the heirs of the estate concerned the provisions in Ross's will for freeing the slaves on his Jefferson County plantation, Prospect Hill, and transporting them to Liberia. These letters document the progress of the litigation and the administration of Ross's estate after the MS Supreme Court affirmed the will's validity. Processed. (Z/1772.000).

ROBERT WADE MANUSCRIPT, UNDATED. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
Robert Wade of Tillman, Claiborne County, MS, compiled this list of soldiers buried in some Claiborne and Jefferson County cemeteries. Processed. (Z/1353.000).

WALTER WADE PLANTATION DIARIES, 1834-1854. 0.33 CUBIC FT. AND 1 REEL 35 MM. MICROFILM.
Dr. Walter Wade was a practicing physician and owner of Rosswood Plantation, Jefferson County, MS. Typewritten and microfilm copies of his plantation diaries form this collection. Wade's two diaries document his activities as both planter and doctor. Some entries pertain to plantation management, the slaves, and production of cotton. Others concern his patients and practice; the first volume records patient accounts and notes rates of charges for professional services adopted by the physicians and surgeons of Port Gibson on January 1, 1840. Processed. (Z/0270.000).

BENJAMIN LEONARD COVINGTON WAILES PAPERS, 1762-1862; UNDATED. 3.65 CUBIC FT. AND 3 REELS 35 MM. MICROFILM, AND 36 MICROFICHE JACKETS.
Benjamin Leonard Covington Wailes was a scientist and planter who moved to the MS Territory from GA in 1807. Wailes, who owned the Washington County residence Meadvilla, served as registrar of the land office at Washington, president of the MS Historical Society, and as assistant professor of agriculture and geological sciences at the University of MS. Papers reflect Wailes's extensive field work and his career as a natural historian and geologist. Of special note are material relating to the MS Geological Survey, for which he published the Report on the Agriculture and Geology of Mississippi (1854), and diaries in which Wailes recorded his observations on the geology, history and natural history of the state. Typescript copies of all thirty-six diaries and a photocopy of a typescript index to them are also included. Microfilm, microfiche, or photocopies of portions of these papers are available for patron use. Processed. (Z/076.000, Z/076.001, Z/076.002, Z/0181.000, Z/1862.000).

C. S. WAILES COLLECTION, 1814; 1829; 1840. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
This collection contains four indentures from Adams County, MS, the most significant of which pertains to the estate of Ferdinand L. Claiborne. Unprocessed. (Z/U/90.029).

LEVIN WAILES PAPERS, 1802-1843. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
Levin Wailes, who had worked as a land surveyor in GA, came to Washington, MS Territory, in 1807. He surveyed the northern boundary of the Choctaw lands and was registrar of the federal land office at Opelousas, St. Landry's Parish from 1810 to 1822, when he returned to the Natchez District to become surveyor general of the public lands south of TN. The papers of Levin Wailes consist of a typescript of an account book, and a surveyor's record book, which document his survey of the United States-Choctaw Nation boundary in 1809 and the reactions of the Indians and Choctaw Chief Pushmataha. The account

book also contains an incomplete version of an 1802 letter from W. C. C. Claiborne to James Wilkinson and field notes of land surveys from 1826 to 1841, surrounding Natchez and Washington, Adams County. Processed. (Z/1824.000).

WAILES-COVINGTON FAMILY PAPERS, 1797-1858; UNDATED. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
The correspondence and papers of the Wailes and Covington families of Washington, Adams County, consist principally of letters from Brigadier General Leonard Covington to his brother, Alexander, discussing affairs in the MD legislature and United States Congress. There is also correspondence of Dr. James Blake, Major Joseph Kean, Dr. Daniel Rawlings, Levin Wailes, and Captain James T. Magruder. Processed. (Z/0959.000).

ROBERT J. WALKER PAPERS, 1821-1869. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
Originals, typescripts, and copies of the correspondence of Robert J. Walker, United States senator from MS, United States Secretary of the Treasury, and governor of the KS Territory, form these papers. They include letters from a number of prominent Mississippians, some of them written from Natchez, Vicksburg, and Warren County. Processed. (Z/0659.000).

ZACHARIAH WALKER PAPERS, 1815-1834. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
The papers of Zachariah Walker of Woodville consist primarily of correspondence and accounts of his New Orleans cotton factors and information regarding the cotton market. Processed. (Z/0661.000).

WILLIAM T. WALTHALL PAPERS, 1803-1955. 15.99 CUBIC FT.
William T. Walthall of Vicksburg was a Confederate soldier, journalist, collaborator with Jefferson Davis in the preparation of The Rise and Fall of the Confederate Government (1881), and United States consul in Demerara, British Guiana. He retired to Vicksburg. His papers contain forty-eight diaries, articles, newsclippings, broadsides, miscellaneous papers, and considerable correspondence. Among the correspondents were officials and officers of the Confederate States of America, clergy of the Episcopal Church, and Jefferson Davis and his publishers. Processed. (Z/0037.000, Z/0083.000).

NATHANIEL A. WARE PAPERS, 1821-1823. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
Nathaniel A. Ware, a resident of Natchez, was acting governor of the MS Territory from 1815 to 1816. The fourteen items in these papers include legal and financial documents, among them bills for household goods in Vicksburg. Processed. (Z/0665.000).

WARREN COUNTY MERCANTILE LEDGER, 1859-1862. 1 REEL 35 MM. MICROFILM.
This collection consists of a positive microfilm copy of an account book of an unidentified business, apparently located in Warren County, MS. Processed. (Z/1137.000).

JOHN B. WARREN MANUSCRIPT, 1838. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
This manuscript is a typewritten carbon copy of "A Discourse on Domestic Missions, Delivered at Vicksburg, October 24, 1838, before the Synod of Mississippi and Louisiana by the Rev. John B. Warren of Louisiana," a Congregationalist minister educated at Harvard. Processed. (Z/1100.000).

AMELIA WATTS PAPERS, UNDATED. 0.10 CUBIC FT. AND 1 REEL 35 MM. MICROFILM.
Amelia Watts's papers consist of a typewritten copy of "A Summer on a Louisiana Cotton Plantation in 1832," which depicts various episodes of her life, including a summer at the plantation of her grandfather, Judge Seth Lewis, near Opelousas, St. Landry's Parish, and her experiences during the Civil War. An account of Watts's visit to the Ventress plantation near Woodville, contains a detailed description of the house. See also the Seth Lewis Family Memoirs (Z/0900.000). Processed. (Z/0666.000).

GUSTINE COURSON WEAVER MANUSCRIPT, UNDATED. 0.50 CUBIC FT.
The manuscript is a typescript of "Life's Nexus and Plexus; or 'Lad,'" by Mrs. Gustine Nancy Courson Weaver, concerning the Gustine family of Natchez. Natchez and Adams County locales and families, such as the Dunbars, figure prominently in the text and accompanying photographs. Processed. (Z/0766.000).

LEVI W. WEEKS AND FAMILY LETTERS, 1808-1812. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
Originals and photocopies of three items of correspondence of Natchez architect Levi Weeks form this collection. Two of the letters are from his father and brother; in the third, written to Epaphras Hoyt on September 27, 1812, Weeks describes in detail life in Natchez, and the residence, Auburn, which he was building for Lyman Harding. Processed. (Z/1081.000).

EDWARD R. WELLES DIARY, 1854-1856. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
This collection contains a typed copy of the diary of Edward R. Welles, describing his trip from Waterloo, NY, to Vicksburg and his experiences during the two years in which he was in charge of a school for girls in Vicksburg. Processed. (Z/0179.000).

EUDORA WELTY COLLECTION, CA. 1909- ; UNDATED. CA. 43 CUBIC FT.
This extensive collection includes the original manuscripts, typescripts, drafts, printer's galleys, or published versions of works by Eudora Welty, set in Natchez or along the Natchez Trace, such as "A Worn Path," "A Fairy Tale of the Natchez Trace," and "The Robber Bridegroom." Among the photographs in the Welty Collection are a number taken in the Natchez or Natchez Trace area, including some of the historic homes in Natchez. For a full description of the material available in the Welty Collection see the published guide by Suzanne Marrs, The Welty Collection: A Guide to the Eudora Welty Manuscripts and Documents at the Mississippi Department of Archives and History (1988). Access is by permission of the curator only. Processing in progress. (Z/0301.000).

THOMAS M. WETHERILL AND FAMILY PAPERS, 1853-1930; UNDATED. 1 CUBIC FT.
Thomas M. Wetherill, resident of Laurel Hill, West Feliciana Parish, LA, and Woodville, married Sarah Smith, granddaughter of Judge Coatsworth Pinckney Smith of Wilkinson County. The papers of Wetherill's family contain letters from C. P. (Worth) Wetherill to his father, Thomas M. Wetherill, at Woodville; financial accounts; and journals of Thomas M. Wetherill and Julia Wetherill Baker. Born in Woodville, she was a writer and was married to Marion A. Baker of New Orleans. He operated the Times-Democrat, which became the Times-Picayune; Julia Baker was its Sunday editor. Processed. (Z/1032.000).

MARY WHITEHURST PAPERS, 1875-1889; UNDATED. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
The papers of Mary Whitehurst of Washington, Adams County, MS, consist of twelve items of personal correspondence. Processed. (Z/0671.000).

WILLIAM N. WHITEHURST PAPERS, 1845-1889; UNDATED. 1.33 CUBIC FT.
William N. Whitehurst was Receiver of Public Moneys and Disbursing Agent for the United States, and later the State of MS, at Washington, Adams County; he also became registrar of the land office at Washington and justice of the peace of Adams County. His papers, many of which pertain to the land office at Washington, consist of business and personal correspondence and financial papers. There are letters from several notable correspondents including T. Otis Baker, Ferdinand L. Claiborne, John A. Quitman, and Levin Wailes. Processed. (Z/0015.000).

MARGARET WILSON DIARY, 1835-1837. 0.33 CUBIC FT.
This collection consists of a typewritten copy of the diary of Margaret Wilson, which was written during part of her service as governess on Selma Plantation, Washington, Adams County, MS, from 1834 to 1848. Margaret Wilson later ran an academy in Washington. Processed. (Z/0180.000).

WILLIAM WINANS SERMON, 1832. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
Reverend William Winans delivered this sermon at Washington, Adams County, MS, on March 11, 1832, on the occasion of General Samuel L. Winston's death. Processed. (Z/0701.001).

GEORGE WINCHESTER LETTER, 1869. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
This letter, dated May 13, 1869, from George Winchester at the Lycee Imperial de Tours to his mother, Mrs. M. Winchester, care of Judge Winchester, Natchez, discusses news from home and his studies and activities in France. Processed. (Z/1033.000).

HENRY K. WINCHESTER ESTATE RECORDS, 1894-1898. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
The legal papers and correspondence concern the administration of the estate of Henry K. Winchester of Santa Barbara, CA, who died in February 1895, and its administration on behalf of the MS heirs, including the Winchester family of Natchez, by Fred Clark of Rosedale. Processed. (Z/0679.000).

GABRIEL WINTER MANUSCRIPT, UNDATED. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
The manuscript entitled "Gabriel Winter's Notes of Claims in the State of Louisiana" contains descriptions of land in LA across from Natchez, including properties belonging to several Natchez planters. Processed. (Z/0680.000).

WILLIAM WINTER SPEECHES, 1961-1977. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
Among the speeches in this collection are ones delivered by William Winter to the Claiborne County Historical Society on March 14, 1961, and at the dedication ceremonies of Historic Jefferson College, Washington, Adams County, on July 17, 1977. Processed. (Z/0935.002).

WOODVILLE METHODIST CHURCH RECORDS, 1836-1894; 1924. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
The records of the Woodville Methodist Church, Wilkinson County, consist of photocopies of the membership register of Woodville Station, MS Conference, Methodist Episcopal Church, South; copies of a certificate of membership; and of two items concerning the centennial celebration of the church dated 1924. Processed. (Z/0993.000).

YOKENA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH RECORDS, 1884-1972. 1 REEL 35 MM. MICROFILM.
This reel of positive microfilm of the records of the Yokena Presbyterian Church, Warren County, MS, contains copies of the minutes of church meetings; a church register with lists of pastors, elders, deacons, communicants and non-communi-

cants, baptisms, marriages, and deaths; programs; and newsclippings. Processed. (Z/1528.000).

THOMAS YOUNG PAPERS, 1843-1889; UNDATED. 0.10 CUBIC FT.
The correspondence and papers of Dr. Thomas Young of Elmwood, Sunflower County, frequently mention his daughter Ettie, who attended the Port Gibson Collegiate Academy for Young Ladies, Claiborne County. Processed. (Z/1203.000).

ZION HILL BAPTIST CHURCH MINUTES, 1811-1979. 2 REELS 35 MM. MICROFILM.
This positive microfilm copy of the minutes of Zion Hill Baptist Church, Zion Hill, Amite County, MS, covers meetings from 1811 to 1868 and 1881 to 1979. The minutes of this church, organized in 1811, include membership lists, occasional accounts, programs of church events, lists of church officers, and deaths. Processed. (Z/1674.000).

The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

The Southern Historical Collection

On January 24, 1855, Natchez physician William Henry Holcombe sat quietly in his room, filling the empty pages of his new diary with observations about his patients, his reading, and life in Natchez. The day had taken him down to the wharf where a new packet awaited its cargo. There on the banks the "drays, hacks, waggons, carriages crowded and jostled in the very narrow spaces" while young ladies and "dashing young bloods" milled about. Irishmen and slaves pushed cotton bales through the crowd and chaos onto the waiting steamer. Indeed, it seemed that "all the world was there, for a southern community," Holcombe noted, "(thanks to our strong corps of African aid-de-camps) can turn out en masse on the warning of a steamboat whistle." Through Holcombe's pages, that clear, sunny Wednesday, now so long forgotten, becomes vital again: the smell of cotton and the river; the Southern sun flashing on the wharf; the piercing steamboat whistle; the balmy day "when life becomes a pleasure and even labor a luxury." The Southern Historical Collection contains innumerable days like that January afternoon that recall events both small and large in the history of the Natchez region.

Records like those of William Holcombe form the backbone of the SHC. Beginning as early as the 1840s, far-sighted university faculty and officials began assembling manuscripts detailing the state's history. By 1930, under the visionary leadership of Joseph G. de Roulhac Hamilton, the collection's scope had widened to include as much of the South as Hamilton could collect. As a result, the SHC now holds one of the nation's most impressive arrays of Southern letters, diaries, plantation daybooks, account books, organizational records, oral histories, photographs, and recordings of oral and musical traditions of the region.

Some of this vast amount of Southern material documents Natchez and the surrounding area in fascinating detail. Mary Susan Ker's diaries, for example, offer a sustained look into upper-class Natchez life in the late nineteenth century and include such entries as that for November, 1895 when she warned her niece that she "could not go riding any more unless assured no negro should be of the party." The Quitman Family Papers document plantation and political life in the Natchez area, and include an 1830 letter from Henry Clay thanking John A. Quitman for

sending magnolia trees for Clay's Kentucky estate. Mahala Roach's rich and detailed diaries contain glimpses of everyday life of a wealthy Vicksburg family, such as her January 24, 1857 observation that her son Tommy "had to be punished this morning, and it distressed me much - but I could not say it was unjust[;] he was good for the rest of the day." The Ker Family Papers contain student papers from the Natchez Institute, such as John Burroughs' 1905 assignment that began, "The life of birds is beset with dangers and mishaps of which we know little."

Numerous smaller collections supplement these larger ones and help round out a more complete picture of Natchez's social, political and economic life through two centuries. The brief diary of Thomas Bowie, for instance, records his frequent fights and flirtations, and includes his 1857 observation: "Took a peep at Miss Gilpin[.] think she is dern pretty and whoever says she is ugly is a liar." William Dunbar's account book contains an 1847 letter to his cotton factor in New York City discussing his debt and vowing that "hereafter, I shall make no more *overdrafts* upon you." John Nevitt's notebook contains daily descriptions of plantation work, such as an 1832 entry noting that he had "paid of the Indians for picking cotton." The Civil War diary of Ellen Power records her horror when, on August 2, 1863, she learned that "400 black Yankee Negroes, & 100 white Yankees marched in Jackson about dark. I never had such feelings as I did," she shuddered, "to think that we must be ruled by a set of black negroes."

To complement these documenatry shards, the Manuscripts Department also houses the Southern Folklife Collection which, with its 75,000 recordings, is one of the nation's foremost archival resources for the study of Southern folk music and folk culture. In all, the nearly 15 million items housed in the Manuscripts Department document virtually every area of the South and help place the Natchez experience in the larger context of Mississippi and of the South. In sum, what Lucius Polk observed of the steamship that carried him to Vicksburg in 1840 could also be said of the SHC: "an excellent craft, well officered, accommodating and polite and '*not slow at that*.'"

Visitors will find the SHC on the campus of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in the Louis Round Wilson Library. The collection's hours are from 8-5, Monday through Friday, and 9-1 on Saturdays. The SHC is equipped with microfilm and microfiche readers and a self-service copier, as well as audio and moving image transfer studios. In addition, an in-house photolab provides microfilming, photocopying, and photo-reproducing services. Reference correspondence can be directed to: Southern Historical Collection; Wilson Library, CB# 3926; UNC-CH; Chapel Hill, NC; 27514-8890. Reference correspondence may also be sent by email to: MSS@email.unc.edu; or by phone at (919) 962-1345; and FAXed documents may be sent to (919) 962-4452.

Selected Holdings of the Southern Historical Collection:

JAMES ALCORN PAPERS, 1850-1880; 35 ITEMS.
Correspondence, property records, and a diary of Alcorn, MS Republican governor, U.S. Senator, and brigadier general of state forces. Alcorn's Civil War letters, written to his wife from MS and KY, vividly describe conditions in areas occupied by Union forces.

JOSEPH ALISON DIARY, 1861-1863; 1 VOL.
This diary of a Confederate Army surgeon covers his duty in Vicksburg, MS, from December, 1862 to July, 1863.

AVERY FAMILY PAPERS, 1796-1916; 750 ITEMS.
This group contains extensive family, business, and financial correspondence for several generations of a family living on Avery Island, LA. The group also includes extensive correspondence from friends and relatives living in New Orleans, Baton Rouge, and other LA locations.

THOMAS C. BOWIE DIARY, 1857; 1 VOL.
Brief diary, Jan.-Sept., 1857, of Bowie of Tensas Parish, LA, consisting of entries regarding Bowie's flirtations and courtship of several young ladies, hunting, church activities, and his fights with other young men.

JOHN BOYD DIARY, 1850; 1 VOL.
Brief record by a Pointe Coupée, LA planter. Entries discuss MS River water levels, levee breaks, flooding, weather, and steamboat trips to Baton Rouge and New Orleans.

BRASHEAR AND LAWRENCE FAMILY PAPERS, 1804-1875; 500 ITEMS.
Family papers of two generations of a sugar growing family in the Attakapas region of LA describing sugar growing, slavery, and medical care.

BRECKENRIDGE FAMILY PAPERS, N.D.; 2 ITEMS.
Includes an autobiography of John Hutchens (b. 1774), son of Anthony Hutchens, an early Natchez settler, with accounts of primitive agriculture, the Revolutionary War, frontier adventures, and trips down the MS River to New Orleans.

ANNIE BROIDRICK RECOLLECTIONS, 1850-1863; 1 VOL.
The nostalgic recollections of plantation life near Vicksburg, MS, just before the Civil War and the experiences of families during the war.

BRITTON AND MOORE FAMILY PAPERS, 1782-1890; 825 ITEMS.
This group includes extensive family correspondence describing life in New Orleans and rice production in LA.

EDWINA BURNLEY MEMOIR, CA. 1925; 1 VOL.
Memoir written by Edwina Burnley and Bertha Burnley Ricketts, describing their family and childhood at Somerset Plantation, near Hazelhurst in Copiah County, MS. The memoir provides details about activities, relatives, neighbors and slaves.

ANNIE CARMOUCHE PAPERS, 1853-1915; 50 ITEMS.
This group includes Carmouche's recollections of life on a sugar plantation in Pointe Coupée, LA.

JOHN FRANCIS HAMTRAMCK CLAIBORNE PAPERS, 1797-1884; 2,400 ITEMS.
Papers of Claiborne, a lawyer, U.S. representative, editor, planter, and historian of MS and LA. Consists largely of materials he collected in preparation for his history of MS, including descriptions of many people, places and events in MS history.

LULAH CLARK PAPERS, 1853-1863; 10 ITEMS & 1 VOL.
Includes a farm journal, 1853-1856, of William Henry Anderson of Hinds County, MS, describing work done with the cotton crop, corn, vegetable garden, and various other farm activities, as well as some personal information about daily life. Collection also includes some letters of the Hall family of Hinds County describe daily life and the Civil War.

JONATHAN DANIELS PAPERS, 1902-1981; 63,000 ITEMS.
Includes research notes, correspondence and photographs related to Daniels' 1962 book on the Natchez Trace, *Devil's Backbone: The Story of the Natchez Trace*.

JOHN G. DEVEREUX PAPERS, 1710-1890; 210 ITEMS.
The varied papers of Devereux and his family include sugar plantation records from Pointe Coupée Parish, LA, a sheriff's records, and Civil War documents concerning troops in Vicksburg. Also includes the account book for a cotton press in Pointe Coopée.

CHARLES AUGUSTUS ROPES DIMON PAPERS, 1861-1865; 95 ITEMS.
Civil War letters of Dimon who served with various Union regiments in the Lower MS Valley, including Vicksburg and Baton Rouge.

WILLIAM DUNBAR ACCOUNT BOOK, 1776-1847; 1 VOL.
Account book containing varied accounts of Natchez planter William Dunbar, of The Forest Plantation, 1845-1847, about dealings with his London and NY agents.

WILLIAM KIRTLAND DOUGLAS PAPERS, 1831-1898; 400 ITEMS & 4 VOLS.
Personal and professional correspondence and writings of Douglas, an Episcopal priest living in Natchez. Also included are papers relating to the Episcopal Church in Dry Grove, Hinds County, MS, where Douglas served as minister, 1871-1881.

GALE AND POLK FAMILY PAPERS, 1815-1895; 125 ITEMS.
Early materials include the papers of Thomas Gale, a physician and planter in Jefferson County, MS.

JAMES A. GAUDET PAPERS, 1760-1927; 1,200 ITEMS.
The extensive business papers and correspondence of Gaudet, secretary-treasurer of the Miles Planting and Manufacturing Company. The Miles Company controlled 13 large sugar plantations in LA. Gaudet also managed the Houmas plantation in Ascension Parish. The Gaudet group includes property records, records of cotton and sugar sales, labor agreements, slave lists, and correspondence concerning local and state politics, family life, and social events.

GUION FAMILY PAPERS, 1789-1906; 101 ITEMS.
Papers of Isaac Guion (fl. 1789-1822) of Natchez, Revolutionary War veteran, captain of US troops on the MS River, and major of the 3rd U.S. regiment near Natchez. Includes family correspondence from relatives living near Natchez, and military correspondence detailing Guion's service in and around Natchez.

WADE HAMPTON PAPERS, 1791-1907; 6 ITEMS & 1 MICROFILM REEL.
Includes extensive material related to Hampton's sugar plantation in Ascension Parish, LA. The materials include records of supplies ordered and information on marketing the crops. Most of the documents date from 1829 to 1840.

PINCKNEY COTESWORTH HARRINGTON PAPERS, 1829-1893; 85 ITEMS.
Scattered business papers of James Harrington and his son Pinckney Cotesworth, planters of Franklin County, MS, including work records, accounts with freedmen, and correspondence with New Orleans cotton factors. Also some material relating to Pinckney's schooling at Oakland College in MS.

GEORGE HARRIS PAPERS, 1861-1863; 3 ITEMS.
Letters to relations in Philadelphia from Harris, serving on the *U.S.S. Richmond* in the vicinity of Baton Rouge, Port Hudson and New Orleans describing conditions on the lower MS River.

LOUIS HÉBERT AUTOBIOGRAPHY, 1894; 1 VOL.
A brief autobiography of an Iberville Parish, LA, planter, state legislator, engineer and Confederate general.

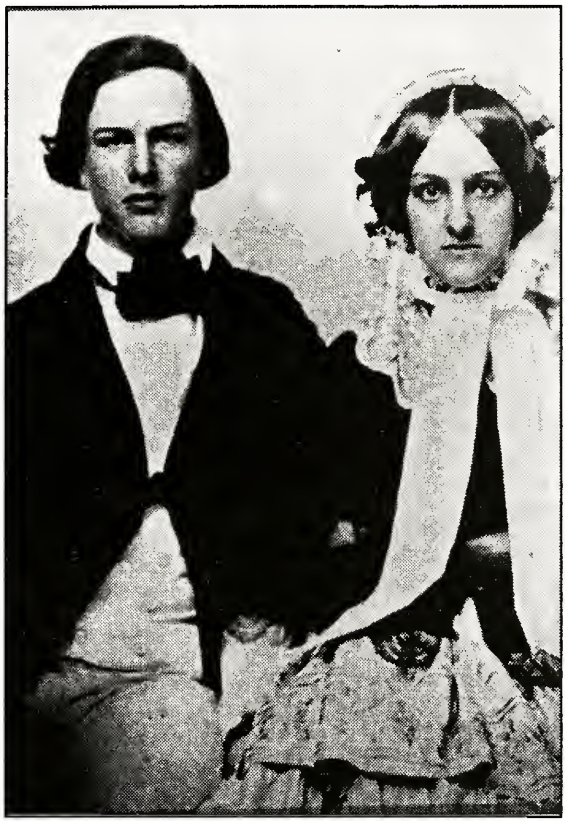
WILLIAM HOLCOMBE BOOKS, 1825-1836; 2 VOLS.
Autobiography and diary of a Natchez physician. Topics include family affairs, slavery, religion, and social life in Natchez.

FRANKLIN HUDSON DIARY, 1852-1859; 7 VOLS.
Diary of Hudson, owner of an Iberville Parish, LA, plantation, contains records of sugar and corn plantings, care of slaves, travel, and family activities.

Students at the Natchez Institute, ca. 1910. [From the Ker Family Papers.]

KER FAMILY PAPERS, 1800-1920; 7,125 ITEMS.
Extensive correspondence, financial, and legal materials of the Ker family of Natchez describing social and financial life, treatment of slaves, and plantation life in general.

MARY SUSAN KER PAPERS, 1785-1958; 6,400 ITEMS.
Extensive family correspondence from friends and relatives living along the MS river in LA and MS. Also present is material relating to Ker's work as a governess in LA and MS and as a teacher in schools in Natchez. Ker's diary, 1886-1923, describes the social life and customs of post-Reconstruction MS, especially around Natchez and Vicksurg.



Mary Susan Ker and William H. Ker, ca. 1850. [From the Mary Susan Ker Papers.]

SAMUEL LOCKETT PAPERS, 1820-1956; 878 ITEMS & 4 VOLS.
Samuel Lockett, Confederate colonel of engineers, was in charge of the Vicksburg defenses from 1862 to 1863. His personal correspondence deals extensively with the details of the city's defense.

WILLIAM S. LOVELL JOURNALS, 1866-1887; 3 VOLS.
Plantation journals include a daily record of agricultural activity at Elmsland Plantation in Adams County, MS, 1866-1877, and at Rosedale Plantation on Palmyra Island, Warren County, MS, 1877-1887.

JAMES F. MAURY DIARY, 1861; 77 ITEMS.
Brief diary of a young man living on Nitta Tola Plantation at Port Gibson, Claiborne County, MS. Topics discussed include social life, weather, travel, and MS's political and military preparations for the Civil War.

ANDREW MCCOLLAM PAPERS, 1792-1935; 2,575 ITEMS.
Extensive family business, and political correspondence of McCollam, a sugar and cotton planter of Donaldsville and Houma, LA. Also included are plantation books before, during, and after the Civil War, and slave records.

JAMES WISTAR METCALFE PAPERS, 1841-1852; 4 ITEMS & 1 VOL.
Papers including the diary of Metcalfe of Montrose Plantation near Natchez, describing the management of his father's nearby Bourbon plantation, describing planting, weather and other plantation chores.

WILLIAM PORCHER MILES PAPERS, 1784-1906; 3,263 ITEMS & 31 VOLS.
From 1882 until 1899, Miles managed the Houmas Plantation in Ascension Parish, LA for his father-in-law, Oliver Beirne and for Beirne's heirs. Letters during this period discuss sugar cultivation and local political events. Also included are his diaries (1883-1897) containing terse entries describing the management of Houmas plantation.

MINOR FAMILY PAPERS, 1763-1900; 1,000 ITEMS.
Business papers, chiefly 1800-1850, of several generations of a Natchez and Concordia Parish, LA, family of merchants and cotton planters including correspondence with Liverpool cotton factors, lists of current prices, bills, and accounts, papers relating to land, estate settlements, and a few family letters in later years.

GEORGE M. MURRELL PAPERS, 1823-1900; 1 VOL.
Record, 1823-1908, of the relation of the weather to the sugar cane crop at Blythewood Plantation, Bayou Goula, Iberville Parish, LA.

JOHN NEVITT PAPERS, 1826-1854; 3 ITEMS.
Journal, 1826-1832, kept by Nevitt, retired navy officer, at Clermont Plantation near Natchez in Adams County, recording work on the plantation, treatment of slaves, cotton, sugar, lumber, weather, finances, Roman Catholicism and other plantation and family affairs.

NORTON, CHILTON, AND DAMERON FAMILY PAPERS, 1760-1926; 520 ITEMS.
Extensive family correspondence from Vicksburg, Natchez and New Orleans concerning planting, travel, family life, government, and Reconstruction.

JOHN C. PEMBERTON PAPERS, 1814-1942; 520 ITEMS.
General J. C. Pemberton was Confederate commander in Vicksburg during the 1863 defense of the city. His papers include both personal and professional corre-

spondence concerning Vicksburg's defense compiled by both General Pemberton and his grandson.

WALKER PERCY PAPERS, 1943-1992; 1,565 ITEMS.
Notes, outlines, drafts, proofs, and correspondence of novelist Walker Percy. Percy was born in Greenville, MS, and later moved to Covington, LA. His papers include extensive correspondence with novelists Shelby Foote and Caroline Gordon.

FELIX POCHÉ DIARY, 1863-1865; 10 VOLS.
Poché, a state senator and member of the LA Supreme Court, served during the Civil War as a Confederate quartermaster and judge advocate. Poché served primarily around Alexandria, Opelousas, and Monroe, LA, and north of Baton Rouge. While he writes little about his actual work, he does discuss his health, travel, weather, companions, and news from the front.

GEORGE POLK PAPERS, 1793-1927; 820 ITEMS.
The Polk papers contain extensive correspondence between Lucius Polk, George's father, and other family members while Lucius was attending to the family's plantations in MS. The visits centered around Vicksburg and the correspondence includes detailed descriptions of the plantations along the MS river near Vicksburg. Most of the letters were written between 1840 and 1841.

ELLEN POWER PAPERS, 1862-1863; 1 VOL.
Diary of Ellen Louise Power documenting the daily activities of a LA girl living in East Feliciana Parish, LA. Diary describes household and social affairs, and the effects of the Civil War, including the departure of slaves from neighboring plantations and civilian relief efforts.

QUITMAN FAMILY PAPERS, 1784-1940; 6,000 ITEMS.
This politically and socially prominent family lived on Monmouth Plantation near Natchez. Among the voluminous family and business records are accounts for cotton sold to New Orleans merchants, slave lists, childhood diaries, and plantation ledgers recording plantings, weather and other planting information. The family's correspondence includes letters from friends and relatives living on surrounding plantations. The Civil War correspondence details the war's impact on plantation life. The bulk of the Quitman material covers the years 1825-1880.

RANDOLPH AND YATES FAMILY PAPERS, 1815-1864; 46 ITEMS.
This group consists of family letters, chiefly 1820 to 1840, exchanged by Peter Randolph, cousin of Thomas Jefferson, with his children, his sister and other relatives, all of whom lived in Wilkinson County, MS. The letters discuss family news, travel, schools, illness and other topics.

Monmouth Plantation, the Quitman Family Estate. [From the Quitman Family Papers.]

M. RANDOLPH DIARY, 1819-1820; 1 VOL.
A detailed travel narrative describing a trip to New Orleans via the TN and MS Rivers. There are numerous descriptions of taverns, homes, people met, hunting, flora and fauna, and towns.

FRANK LIDDELL RICHARDSON PAPERS, 1851-1869; 50 ITEMS & 4 VOLS.
Included in this group is a small amount of corrspondence during the 1850s from Richardson's father, Francis Dubose Richardson. Francis was a member of the LA legislature and the correspondence discusses the political life of the state. Also included are a number of letters written by Frank during his service with the Confederate Army in LA, TN, KY, AL, and MS.

RICHARDSON AND FARRAR FAMILY PAPERS, 1860-1876; 26 ITEMS.
This group includes several letters from Anna Farrar in Tensas Parish, LA, to her daughters in boarding school, describing social conditions in the area in 1860. In 1861, several letters from Henry Richardson describe his surveying work on plantations in East Carroll and Tensas parishes, LA.

ROACH AND EGGLESTON FAMILY PAPERS, 1825-1905; 150 ITEMS.
The bulk of this group consists of the voluminous diaries of Mahala Roach. Covering the period from 1853 through 1905, Roach's diaries discuss all aspects of family and social life in and around Vicksburg, MS. Also included are scattered family correspondence, financial and legal material, and miscellaneous diaries of other family members.

GEORGE WASHINGTON SARGENT PAPERS, 1840-1900; 23 ITEMS.
Correspondence and financial papers of G. W. Sargent, son of LA's first territorial governor, Winthrop Sargent. George Sargent lived in Philadelphia, PA, and Natchez, from which he managed his family's extensive property holdings in OH, MS, and LA.

FREDERIC SEIP PAPERS, 1808-1908; 50 ITEMS.
Accounts, bills, receipts, and promissory notes of Frederic Seip, a doctor in Natchez.

SLACK FAMILY PAPERS, 1805-1925; 400 ITEMS.
The personal, family, financial, legal, and military correspondence of a sugar and cotton growing family in Iberville Parish, LA. Topics include family life, local events, schooling, and agricultural pursuits. There are also numerous Civil War letters written by Confederate cavalry officer Henry Slack. The financial and legal papers consist primarily of estate, slave, agricultural, and shipping records. The bulk of the collection covers the period from 1830 to 1890.

SOUTHERN ORAL HISTORY PROGRAM

The Southern Oral History Program consists of over 1,300 oral history interviews conducted with people living in the South, The interviews were done with both politically and socially prominent individuals as well as with "ordinary" workers, farmers, etc. They include a interviews with a number of residents of LA and MS describing their lives.

ALEXANDER THOMPSON LETTERS, 1861-1862; 6 ITEMS.

These letters from a Union soldier describe the military situation in Baton Rouge, LA after his unit withdrew from Vicksburg, MS.

NICHOLAS TRIST PAPERS, 1667-1903; 6,000 ITEMS.

This group contains extensive correspondence from H. B. Trist, an Ascension Parish, LA, planter, to Nicholas, his brother, a son-in-law of Thomas Jefferson's. Covering chiefly the 1830s and 1840s, the letters discuss LA politics, agricultural matters, and family news.

TUCKER FAMILY PAPERS, 1790-1932; 28,000 ITEMS.

The extensive personal and professional correspondence of John Randolph Tucker, legal scholar and U.S. Representative, and his son, Henry St. George Tucker, law professor and U.S. Representative. Included among the materials is extensive correspondence, chiefly postbellum, with William Preston Johnston, president of LSU and Tulane. Topics discussed include education, state and national politics, and industrial development.

ROBERT TWEED PAPERS, 1843-1898; 53 & 2 VOLS.

Chiefly letters, 1843-1861, from William and Clara Young, Scottish immigrants and planters of Jefferson County, MS, to Tweed, a relative who was then a merchant in New Orleans. Letters discuss family and neighborhood news, religion, temperance, and politics. The group also includes a diary, 1874-1898, of Louisa Tweed, wife of Robert, discussing domestic matters and weather in Jefferson County.

SARAH L. WADLEY DIARY, 1859-1886; 14 ITEMS.

This articulate diary of a plantation owner's daughter living near Monroe, LA, includes detailed descriptions of trips to New Orleans and Vicksburg.

TRIST WOOD PAPERS, 1655-1949; CA. 8,350 ITEMS.

This group includes extensive genealogical material, correspondence, and diaries collected by Trist Wood of New Orleans. The papers are chiefly those of the Wood family of LA and include letters from H. B. Trist, an Ascension Parish, LA, sugar planter, to his family in the 1850s.

The University of Southern Mississippi

Archives and Manuscript Department

Descriptive finding aids or manuscript registers are available in McCain Library and Archives for most of these collections. Copies of the same descriptive information may also be available electronically on the University of Southern Mississippi Gopher in the near future. Cataloging records for most of these collections have been added to the OCLC Bibliographic Database and are available for subject searching through OCLC's First Search. Inquires concerning these collections may be directed to Archives and Manuscript Department, McCain Library and Archives, University of Southern Mississippi, P.O. Box 5148, Hattiesburg, MS 39406-5148. Telephone: 601-266-4348.

M85 ADAMS COUNTY (MISS.) POLICE AND MISCELLANEOUS RECORDS, 1836-1894. 0.25 CU. FT.
Various county records, including license applications, warrants for payment to Constable Peter Laurence, and other individuals, almshouse reports, allegiance oaths by Board of Police officers, road and bridge reports and financial statements.

M2 THEODORE G. BILBO PAPERS, 1910-1947. 690 CU. FT.
Contains scattered information relating to Natchez, the surrounding area, and the creation of the Natchez Trace Parkway which originated during Bilbo's second term as governor (1928-1932) and during his service as United States Senator (1935-1947).

M166 JOHN BURNET CERTIFICATE OF SURVEY, 1788. 1 ITEM.
Certificate of survey for a 130 acre tract of land in the Natchez District owned by Burnet. Located 45 miles north of the Fort, lying along Bayou Pierre in what is now Claiborne County.

M141 ESTHER TURNER MCELRATH DIARY, 1859. 1 VOLUME, 93 PAGES.
Record of McElrath's daily activities living in Warrenton, MS, as a newly wed from January to May 1859. Focuses on neighbors, friends, family and events and issues of local interest.

M67 ALEXANDER G. MCNUTT LETTERS, 1838-1840. 3 LETTERS.
Two of the letters dated in August, 1840 concern the appointment of Jacob Soria, E. Morrison, and John R. Stackman as auctioneers for the Natchez District.

AM90-42 NATCHEZ BUSINESS LEDGER, 1820-1827. 1 VOLUME.
Unidentified Natchez business ledger. (Unprocessed).

M249 NATCHEZ TRACE RESEARCH COLLECTION, 1704-1978. 7.64 CU. FT.
Photocopies of research materials collected and prepared by historians of the Natchez Trace Parkway and maintained at Parkway headquarters in Tupelo. Included are copies of documents from government agencies and departments, as well as from research collections located throughout the United States. Other materials include journal articles and research notes from primary and secondary sources. Information concerning historical sites, structures, indian affairs, and the activities of individuals along the trace and in the town of Natchez are the principle focus of this collection.

M52 RALPH NORTH LETTER, 1883. 1 ITEM.
Letter from Ralph North in Natchez, to Sergent Prentiss Nutt concerning information about a Federal seizure of coal boats belonging to the Nutt Family in 1863. Relates to claims against the United States by the Nutt Family.

M39 A. J. POSTLETHWAITE RECORDS, 1850-1859. 10 ITEMS.
Collection of invoices relating to the business of A.J. Postlethwaite, a dry goods dealer and importer in Natchez.

M76 PRESCOTT (THOMAS C.) LETTER, 1864. 1 ITEM.
Letter written from Natchez in December, 1864 by Prescott, a member of the 8th NH Infantry, concerning living conditions and social activities in war-time Natchez under Federal occupation.

AM86-25 W. H. WATKINS LETTER, 1861. 1 ITEM.
Letter dated April 24, 1861 from Watkins in Natchez to Dr. C.B. New in Rodney, MS, concerning the sale of land in the area. (unprocessed).

M110 WILLIAM WESTERMAN CONTRACT, 1823. 1 ITEM.
Contract made between twelve subscribers and Westerman, to teach students in Natchez.

The University of Texas at Austin

The Center for American History

The University of Texas Center for American History is a special collections library, archive, and museum that facilitates research and sponsors programs on the historical development of the United States. The Center supports research and education by acquiring, preserving, and making accessible research collections and by sponsoring exhibitions, conferences, symposia, oral history projects, publications, fellowships, and grant-funded initiatives.

The Center's divisions are the Eugene C. Barker Texas History Collections, the Littlefield Southern History Collections, the Congressional History Collections, the Sam Rayburn Library and Museum (located in Bonham, Texas), the Winedale Historical Center (located near Round Top, Texas), the Western Americana Collections, the Special Collections for American History, the University of Texas Archives, and the Oral History Program. Research collection strengths in the Center for American History are the history of Texas, the South, the Southwest, the Rocky Mountain West, congressional history, and specific national topics.

The materials housed in the Center include 160,000 books and periodicals, 40,000 linear feet of manuscripts and archives, 32,000 maps, 1,000,000 photographs, 37,000 pieces of recorded sound (including music and oral history), 5,500 newspaper titles, and 3,000 broadsides. Catalog records for books, pamphlets, newspapers, and manuscript and photograph collections are entered into the On-line Computer Library Center (OCLC) and into UTCAT, the University's on-line library catalog, and are available through the Internet.

The Center is open to the public from 9:00am to 5:00pm Monday through Saturday. Correspondence may be sent to The Center for American History, Sid Richardson Hall 2.101, University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX 78712; telephone: (512) 495-4515, FAX (512) 495-4542.

The Center for American History's George W. Littlefield Southern History Collections

The University of Texas at Austin has an eighty-year tradition of collecting printed and manuscript material documenting the history of the American South for states other than Texas. In 1914, Major George W. Littlefield, a prominent Texas businessman and University regent, donated funds to the University to purchase material "bearing on the History of the South." A native of Mississippi who had served with Terry's Texas Rangers during the Civil War, Major Littlefield was concerned about what he felt was the misrepresentation of the Southern cause in American history textbooks. His 1914 bequest established the Littlefield Fund for Southern History, which was strengthened by an additional gift following Littlefield's death in 1920.

The Littlefield Fund has enabled the University to assemble a major collection on the history of the South to support research, teaching, and publications, including funding Professor Charles W. Ramsdell's project during the 1930s to microfilm source materials in repositories outside of Texas and initiating in 1937 a project by Louisiana State University Press to publish a ten-volume *History of the South.*

At Major Littlefield's direction, Southern materials purchased with Littlefield funds have been "woven into the fabric" of the University's libraries. In the main, however, Littlefield manuscript materials, maps, newspapers, rare and fragile books, pamphlets, and serials are housed in the Center 's Littlefield Southern History Collections. Manuscript and printed primary resources relating to the history of the South that have been donated or purchased independently of the Littlefield Fund also are located there.

Resources in the Center's George W. Littlefield Southern History Collections document the history of the eleven states that seceded from the United States in 1860 and 1861, with special strengths reflecting the development of the region in Mississippi and Louisiana centered around Warren, Claiborne, Jefferson, Adams, and Wilkinson counties and Concordia, Tensas, and Madison parishes—the area referred to by historians as the Natchez District. The following collections directly support the study of the history of that geographic area.

I. THE NATCHEZ TRACE COLLECTION

Assembled by a private collector, the Natchez Trace Collection (NTC) measures more than 450 linear feet of materials documenting the history of the Lower Mississippi River Valley from 1790 to 1900. The collection includes original personal and family papers, financial, business, and legal records, maps, sheet music, news-

papers, pamphlets, broadsides, photographs, diaries, and other archival documents. These materials reflect the lives and activities of government officials, politicians, soldiers, bankers, jurists, planters, merchants, attorneys, physicians, clergy, educators, slaves, and homemakers who lived and worked in the parishes and counties of Louisiana and Mississippi, particularly in the region centered around Natchez, Mississippi.

The Natchez Trace Collection has been organized into sub collections; those listed below are open for research use.

Provincial and Territorial Archives. 1759-1813. 3ft., 8 in.
Correspondence, land surveys, marriage contracts, legal proceedings, slave sales, wills, ordinances, petitions, civil records for posts including those at Natchez, Pointe Coupée, Ouachita, Iberville, and Opelousas, and other legal and administrative papers relating to the French and Spanish provincial and LA and MS territorial eras. Includes documents signed by provincial administrators Bernardo de Galvez and Manuel Gayoso de Lemos.

Slaves and Slavery Collection. 1793-1864. 2 ft., 2 in.
Primarily legal documents relating to Blacks and the institution of slavery in the Southern United States, particularly in LA and MS; organized into 11 series: 1) runaway slaves, 2) free Blacks, 3) individual emancipation, 4) sales of slaves and slave ownership, 5) estates and sales of land, personal property, and slaves, 6) court cases, civil and criminal, 7) entry of slaves into Louisiana, 8) lists of slaves and slave holders, 9) hire of slaves, 10) financial and other papers, 11) guards and pickets passes for colored persons.

Steamboat Collection. 1806-1925. 2 ft., 4 in.
Receipts, bills, legal records, correspondence, printed materials, and ledgers documenting steamboat activity on the MS river and its tributaries.

Richard Thompson Archer Family Papers. 1790-1919. 5 ft., 4 in.
Correspondence, financial records, and legal documents to and from Archer, a VA native and prominent MS planter and ardent secessionist, and his relatives, friends, and business associates. Papers concern plantation life and economy, agricultural affairs, social life and customs, education, medical practices, household affairs, and slaves and slavery in MS and VA.

Greenville, Mississippi, Store Ledger. 1825-1828. 2.5 in.
Ledger of a Greenville, Jefferson County, MS, mercantile store, containing entries for daily sales of dry goods and groceries.

John Dutton Papers. 1789-1890. 1 ft.
Correspondence, slave lists, financial and legal documents, and public auction records of Judge John Dutton (d. ca. 1849) and other officials of the Parish Court of Iberville in Plaquemine, LA.

Charles Backus Dana Papers. 1802, 1820-1881. 11 in.
Personal and family correspondence and draft sermons by Dana (1810-1873), NH native, graduate of Dartmouth College, and Protestant Episcopal rector of Christ Church in Alexandria, VA (1861-1866), and Trinity Church in Natchez (1866-1873).

Chamberlain-Hyland-Gould Family Papers. 1805-1886. 8 in.
Papers of three MS families containing primarily the correspondence of Ellen Marie Wheaton Chamberlain Hyland (1823-1863), daughter of Oakland College president Jeremiah Chamberlain and her uncle, brother, husband, son, daughter, and son-in-law. Documents mainly concern personal and business matters and document daily family life on the Hyland plantation Boquedesha (1848-1886) in Warren County, MS.

Adair Versus Wilkinson Case Records. 1809-1820. 50 items.
Legal documents concerning Adair's cases against General James Wilkinson, heard in Adams County, MS Territory. Adair charged Wilkinson with false imprisonment after he was attacked in 1807 and shipped to Fort McHenry to serve time on suspicion of conspiracy with Aaron Burr in LA.

Benjamin Leonard Covington Wailes Papers. 1811-1860. 1.5 in.
Papers of Wailes (1797-1862), a prominent MS educator and historian and son of Levin Wailes concerning the administration of Jefferson College in Washington, MS.

Peregrine P. Sugg Papers. 1847-1877. 1.5 in.
Diary and papers of Sugg (b. 1815) documenting his activities as a plantation overseer, slave owner, brick-maker, and lumber hauler in Iberville Parish, LA, and, later, in Rusk, TX.

William Lewis Sharkey Papers. 1823-1881. 3 in.
Papers relating primarily to the political activities of Sharkey (1797-1873), a prominent MS lawyer, jurist, and Whig political activist.

James Campbell Wilkins Papers. 1801-1852. 3 ft., 9 in.
Papers documenting the life and career of Wilkins (d. 1849), a Natchez cotton planter, merchant, cotton factor, financier, and banker, especially his partnership in the Wilkins and Linton Company (1816-1834).

Basil Kiger Papers. 1841-1885. 2 ft., 8 in.
Papers relating to the operation of Buena Vista Plantation, located north of Vicksburg, and to Kiger's wife, Carrie Kiger, and household affairs.

Crutcher-Shannon Family Papers. 1822-1905. 7 in.
Personal and financial records of two Vicksburg families: Levina Morris and Marmaduke Shannon, publisher of the *Vicksburg Daily Whig*, and his daughter Emma, who married William Crutcher. Letters document William's military service in the Civil War, William and Emma's courtship and marriage while he was in the service and she at home in Vicksburg, and the siege of Vicksburg. Emma's career as a teacher in Vicksburg following the war is documented by five school registers and grade books .

Barnes-Willis Family Papers. 1783-1840. 1 ft., 11 in.
Papers relating to business affairs, travels, administration of estates, cotton, slaves, and family life of bank director Abram Barnes (1785-1830) of Port Gibson, MS; sheriff William Willis (d. ca. 1821) of Concordia Parish, LA; merchant and attorney John B. Willis of Port Gibson and Washington, MS, and other Barnes-Willis family members.

James N. Brown Papers. 1855-1879. 5 in.
Records relating to the disposition of the estate of Brown (1807-1859?), a wealthy sugar planter from Iberville Parish, LA, by his son-in-law, including records of Brown's plantations Manchac (Iberville Parish), Oakland (Plaquemine Parish), Linwood (Ascension Parish), and Magnolia and Highland Place (East Baton Rouge Parish).

Winchester Family Papers. 1783-1902. 14 ft., 6 in.
Personal, financial, legal, business records, literary productions, and printed material documenting the lives and careers of Natchez attorneys and political leaders George Winchester (1793-1851) and his nephew Josiah (d. 1888) as well as the lives of Josiah's family, including his wife Margaret G. Sprague Winchester and her relatives. George Winchester moved to Natchez around 1820, where he worked as an attorney and as a judge. An ardent advocate of states-rights and one of the area's leading Whigs, Winchester served as state senator from 1836 to 1837. Josiah Winchester was an attorney and later a judge in Natchez until his death in 1888. A firm Unionist, he was elected to the MS Secession Convention from Adams County as a pro-Union delegate. The collection's legal and political correspondence, court case files, probate records, and estate inventories document the legal affairs of planters and businessmen throughout the Lower MS Valley, including Stephen Duncan and John C. Jenkins, from the 1820s to the 1880s.

Bank of the State of Mississippi Records. 1804-1846. 16 ft.
Papers documenting the Bank of the State of MS, with headquarters in Natchez, as well as the economic development of the Lower MS River Valley in the early nineteenth century. Contains letterpress copy books, loan records, bank share certificates, powers of attorney, promissory notes, letters of credit, cash draft receipts, abstracts of funds, personal accounts, and correspondence with bank officers and with other banks, including the branch of the 2nd Bank of the United States located in New Orleans.

Joseph K. Brown Papers. 1810-1813. 49 items.
Customer accounts documenting the business affairs of Brown, a Jefferson County, MS Territory, blacksmith.

James J. Cowan Family Papers. 1845-1879. 2 in.
Correspondence, receipts, and accounts documenting the personal and business affairs of the Cowan family of Vicksburg. Materials include James Cowan's description of his train trip to Washington, D. C., in 1859, letters between Captain Cowan and his family written during Cowan's service as an artillery commander for the Confederate Army; and correspondence between family members describing the siege of Vicksburg and their lives as war refugees.

Joseph E. Davis Papers. 1824-1880. 0.5 in.
Correspondence, legal documents, plantation records, and estate records documenting the business and personal affairs of Davis, the eldest brother of Jefferson Davis, including an 1838 loan co-signed by Joseph and Jefferson, government documents concerning actions taken by the Freedmen's Bureau involving Davis's former slaves and plantations, and a printed petition to President Andrew Johnson requesting a pardon and restoration of Davis's land. Also included are letters from Davis describing his experiences in the early years of Reconstruction and an 1866 letter from his former slave Ben Montgomery, to whom Davis had sold Hurricane, his Warren County, MS plantation.

Stephen Duncan Family Papers. 1826-1888. 2 in.
Correspondence, financial records, and legal documents concerning the personal and business affairs of members of the Stephen Duncan family, their associates, plantations, and servants.

Huston Family Papers. 1835-1860. 53 items.
Will, correspondence, receipts, and accounts documenting activities of the families of Eli Huston and his brother Felix. Contains correspondence and financial records of Woodford Place in East Feliciana Parish, LA, and other papers relating to the brothers' estates.

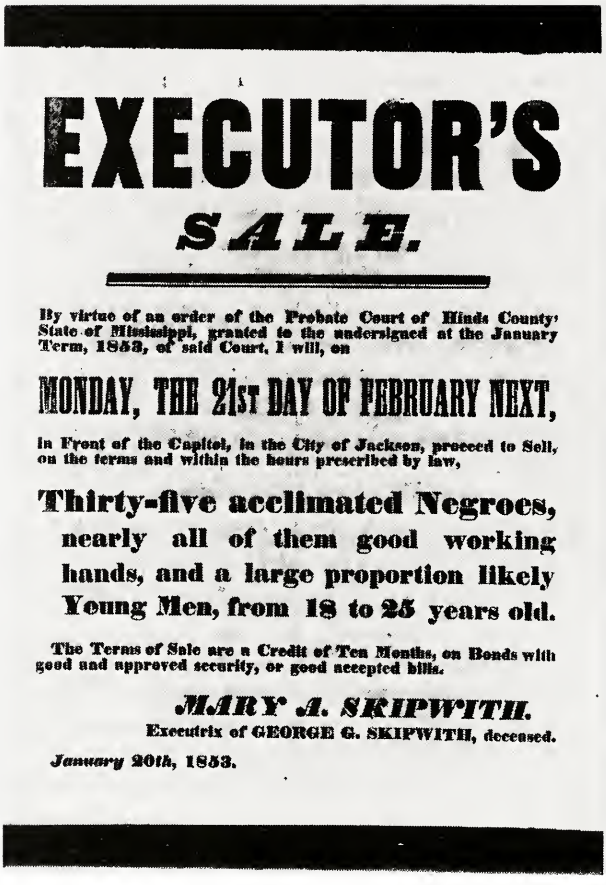
John Lane Papers. 1821-1855. 121 items.
Cotton records, accounts, deeds, slave bill of sale, correspondence, and legal documents concerning the affairs of John and John A. Lane of Vicksburg. Included among the legal documents are papers relating to the murder trial of the slave Sam, who was charged as an accessory in the killing of his master, Joel Cameron (1832).

Mississippi Woman's Christian Temperance Union Records. 1891-1893. 14 items.
Minutes, reports, and correspondence documenting the administrative activities of the MS WCTU. Included is a 40-page draft of the minutes for the 1892 state convention in Corinth, committee reports, and an 1893 letter relating the history of the WCTU in MS.

Newspaper Collection.
More than 200 newspaper titles, with special strengths in the decades before the Civil War for titles and issues from LA and MS towns and cities, including Canton, Jackson, Natchez, Port Gibson, and Vicksburg, MS and for New Orleans, Baton Rouge, Donaldsonville, Plaquemine, and Saint Francisville, LA. All NTC newspapers have been cataloged into OCLC as part of the Center's NEH-funded Texas Newspaper Project. The collection includes issues of the *Louisiana Gazette and Arcadia and La Fourche Advertiser*, published in Donaldsonville, LA, in 1831, the only portion of this newspaper known to exist, with the exception of a single issue housed in the Library of Congress.

Pamphlet and Serials Collection.
More than 500 nineteenth-century pamphlets, paperback novels, and periodicals that constitute the leisure and professional reading of individuals, families, and organizations whose papers are represented in the Natchez Trace Collection. A number of these imprints were written by persons and organizations represented in the collections, including MS politician John A. Quitman, cotton planter Stephen A. Duncan, Episcopal Bishop Charles B. Dana, Natchez attorney George Winchester, MS's Oakland College, the Vicksburg Athletic Club, and the Planters' Bank. Imprints include sermons, legal cases, funeral orations, speeches, essays, addresses, tracts, college catalogs, almanacs, literary, religious, and fashion magazines, nursery and seed catalogs, diocesan reports, convention proceedings, and railroad annual reports.

Photograph Collection.
More than 870 images, 1855-1920, including daguerreotypes, cartes-de-visite portraits, cabinet cards, theater stereographs, lantern slides, and tintypes depicting Natchez and Vicksburg area families and scenes and commercial views. Many images were taken by prominent New Orleans, Vicksburg, and Natchez photographers. This group of photographs is being treated as a single collection. An item-level inventory has been prepared.



EXECUTOR'S

SALE.

By virtue of an order of the Probate Court of Hinds County, State of Mississippi, granted to the undersigned at the January Term, 1853, of said Court, I will, on

MONDAY, THE 21ST DAY OF FEBRUARY NEXT,

in Front of the Capitol, in the City of Jackson, proceed to Sell, on the terms and within the hours prescribed by law,

Thirty-five acclimated Negroes, nearly all of them good working hands, and a large proportion likely Young Men, from 18 to 25 years old.

The Terms of Sale are a Credit of Ten Months, on Bonds with good and approved security, or good accepted bills.

MARY A. SKIPWITH.
Executrix of GEORGE G. SKIPWITH, deceased.

January 20th, 1853.

Broadside announcing the auction of property from the estate of George G. Skipwith, Jackson, Mississippi, 1853. [Broadside Collection, Natchez Trace Collection.]

Map Collection.
A collection of 50 manuscript maps and 88 printed maps owned or prepared by individuals, families, and organizations represented in NTC. The bulk of the maps depict LA and MS during the nineteenth century, especially prior to 1861. Cartographic types include land surveys and plat maps, atlases, pocket maps and city guides, and specialty maps, such as Civil War battle maps and railroad route maps. These maps constitute documents drawn or consulted by Natchez District residents as a means of delineating property, planning and guiding travels, recording and depicting natural or man-made structures in their physical environment, and studying the history and geography of their locale, region, and country.

Broadside Collection.
More than 160 broadsides and handbills published mainly in LA and MS, 1795-1900, announcing or advertising events and services relating to politics, real estate, law, education, agriculture, and economic, social, and cultural affairs.

Ephemera Collection.
Tickets, ballots, advertisements, business cards, menus, programs, invitations, funeral announcements, dance cards and additional papers of everyday life in nineteenth-century LA and MS.

Sheet Music Collection.
Approximately 4,000 pieces of nineteenth-century sheet music, containing equal amounts of classical and popular music. This sheet music includes music owned and played by individuals and families represented in NTC as well as the sheet music inventory of a Vicksburg music store. The majority of the compositions are of the genre known as parlor music, including selections to honor a historic occasion or prominent individual, an assortment of Civil War songs, plantation songs, minstrel and show tunes, and jubilee songs. In addition to its significant musical content, the sheet music is important for its cover illustrations. Fully half of the covers are decorated with engraved or lithographed illustrations that reflect social history through sentiments expressed, events commemorated, heroes celebrated, and attitudes revealed.

II. OTHER HOLDINGS

Edward A. Parsons Collection, 1678-1940. 5 ft.
Manuscripts relating to the history of LA assembled by collector Edward A. Parsons and acquired by the University of TX in 1956. The majority of the collection relates to LA prior to 1830. Highlights include:

♦Decrees and orders, 1731-1773, issued by French monarchs Louis XIV and Louis XV on various subjects affecting LA: formation of the Superior Council of LA in 1731; formation and support of a militia for LA's defense; setting punishments for those failing to publish marriage contracts and other grants in LA, 1733; regulations for naming tutors for minors in the colonies; appointment of a surveyor in chief for LA; and connecting Natchitoches and LA to the military district of St. Louis.

♦Letter, Thomas Jefferson to Bernardo de Galvez, 1779, concerning common interests and mutual aid between Spain and the United States along the MS River.

S. H. SAMUELS,
COMMISSION MERCHANT
AND
PLANTERS' AGENT,
COTTON SQUARE,
NATCHEZ.
Has always on hand a fresh supply of GROCERIES, PLANTATION GOODS, &c., at very low prices.
T. Rea, Printer, 60 Magazine Street, N. O.
P. S.—COTTON purchased, and Liberal Advances made on shipments.

Business card advertising the services of Natchez cotton merchant S.H. Samuels, 1845. [Ephemera Collection, Natchez Trace Collection.]

♦Letters, from Jean Lafitte, 1814-1820, disclaiming acts, knowledge of, or protection for banditry by himself or his family in the Gulf area.

♦Letters from Robert R. Livingston, 1801-1803, while U.S. minister to France, relating to negotiations that resulted in the LA Purchase.

♦Booklets detailing the conditions of population and commerce of New Orleans and Spanish LA, 1776.

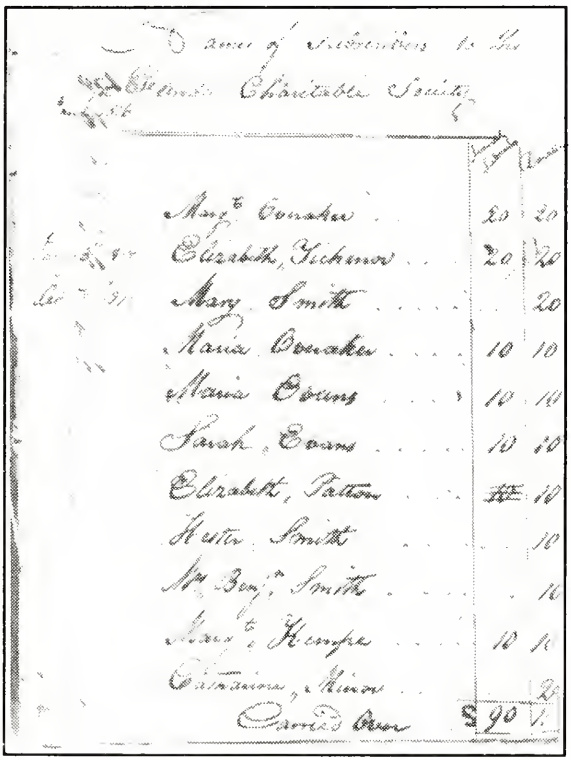
♦Address, 1805, from the inhabitants of the District of St. Charles to James Wilkinson, the new Governor of LA Territory, expressing hope for the law and order of wise government.

♦Letters to and from Andrew Jackson, 1806 and 1814-1815 respectively, concerning the Burr Conspiracy and U.S. military intelligence, strategy, and troop movements.

♦Letters and administrative documents by Baron de Carondelet, 1791-1797, concerning conditions in LA, regulating slaves, issuing passports, and prohibiting "foreign Negroes and creoles" from entering New Orleans.

♦Letters, 1807-1816, from William Charles Cole Claiborne, Governor of MS Territory; correspondents include James Wilkinson, Jean Lafitte, and Nicholas Girod and August McCarty, mayors of New Orleans.

Pugh Family Papers, 1807-1907. 10 ft.
Personal and business correspondence, plantation records, diaries, and journals relating to the Pugh family of LA and their plantations Augustin, Whitmell, Highland, Woodlawn, New Hope, and Mount Lawrence.



List of some of the first subscribers in the Female Charitable Society of Natchez, which was organized in 1816 by 74 women to "give instruction to poor children" in the Natchez Academy. [Natchez Children's Home Records.]

Natchez Children's Home Archive, 1816-1945.
Minutes, account books, registers, reports, lists, scrapbook, and printed materials documenting the work of the Female Charitable Society of Natchez, organized in 1816 by 74 women to "give instruction to poor children" in their Natchez Academy, which opened in April for ten children. In 1823 a building to house the orphans was finished that came to be called the Orphan Asylum of Natchez and, later, the Natchez Children's Home, which still is in operation.

Airlie Plantation Record Book, 1862. 4 items.
Land deeds, map, and record book with daily entries for work done on the plantation, slave activities, steamboat landings, weather notes by overseers for Airlie Plantation, East Carroll Parish, LA.

Zenas R. Bliss Reminiscences, 1854-1894. 5 vols. , typescript.
Memoirs of occupation service in LA, MS, and SC during Reconstruction.

Canebrake Plantation Records, 1856-1858. 3 items.
Records books for 1856, 1857, and 1858 for the Canebrake Plantation in Adams County, MS, owned by Dr. James G. Carson.

Powhatan Ellis Papers, 1811-1836 1 ft., 3 in.
Correspondence and financial records relating to Ellis's career as attorney, judge, soldier, diplomat, and U.S. Senator from MS.

H. H. Parker Papers, 1837-1879. 1 vol.
Letters relating to Dr. Parker's life as a MS planter and physician during the Civil War.

James Kirkpatrick Diary, 1861-1864. 1 vol.
Diary of a MS planter, teacher, and soldier.

Richard I. Stone Diaries, 1861-1865. 2 vols.
Diaries recording the service and experiences of Richard I. Stone in AR and LA during the Civil War.

William H. Morrow Collection
A collection of manuscripts, books, pamphlets, newspapers, maps, prints, photographs, and art relating to TX and the South assembled by longtime collector William H. Morrow of TX and MS. Special strengths in the collection relating to the Natchez District are as follows:

♦General John A. Quitman Portrait. Original oil portrait of General John Anthony Quitman, ca. 1850, artist unknown. The painting is reputed to have hung in the Natchez Opera House where at the time Natchez fell to Union troops a Union soldier pierced the painting at the figure's chest with his saber.

♦Jefferson, Thomas. *A Manual of Parliamentary Practice for the Use of the Senate of the United States*. 3rd ed., 1813. John A. Quitman copy, containing his autograph.

♦*The Natchez*, January 1, 1830 - December 25, 1830. Fifty-two issues of this MS newspaper, published by James H. Cook. The paper was a powerful Whig voice in the state.

♦United States Military Prison Record Book. Record book documenting the conduct and disposition of persons in occupied Natchez during the Civil War, Aug. 17, 1863 - Sept. 26, 1864. Entries detail Federal soldiers confined, Confederate deserters confined, prisoners of war confined, and citizens confined, with rank, company, regiment, offense, sentence, date of release given.

♦John S. Thrasher Manuscript. A View of the Spanish Army in Cuba, compiled for General John A. Quitman, New Orleans, June 1854. A 12-page mss. report by Jose Maria Hernandez on the Spanish Army in Cuba. Thrasher, at one time Quitman's personal secretary, translated the report from the Spanish.

♦Confederate Cotton Trade Collection. Manuscript ledger leaves documenting the sale of Confederate cotton in England and France, 1861-1862.

♦Stratton, Rev. J. B. *The Duty of Alms-Giving. A Sermon Delivered in the Presbyterian Church, Natchez . . . on January 17, 1847.* Vidalia, LA: Printed at the Office of the Concordia Intelligencer, 1847.

♦Toulmin, H. *The Magistrates' Assistant . . . Compiled for Use of the Justices of the Peace, in the Mississippi Territory. . .* Natchez: Samuel Terrell, 1807.

♦M'Cormick, C. N., ed. *Natchez, Mississippi on Top, Not "Under the Hill." Adams County and the Neighboring Territory. The Queen City of the South, Natchez, Mississippi On Top.* Natchez: Daily Democrat Steam Print, 1887.

♦*Natchez Daily Courier, Carrier's Address to the Patrons of the Natchez Daily Courier*, January 1, 1866. Natchez: 1865.

♦Subscribers' agreement to form as association for "the purpose improving the breed of Horses, Cattle, Sheep & Hogs. . . . Natchez, MS, January 1, 1856. Signed by 36 subscribers.

♦*Mississippi Republican*, Natchez , November 20, 1816.

♦*Natchez Extra Courier.* War Edition, July 9, 1861.

♦Duff, J. *Traveler's Guide. A Map of the Ohio and Mississippi Rivers. Extending from Pittsburgh to the Gulf of Mexico.* Cincinnati: George Conclin, 1835.

The Littlefield Rare Book and Pamphlet Collection

An estimated 30,000 unique, rare, or scarce printed titles, including books, pamphlets, atlases, government documents, songsheets, broadsides, and serials and periodicals relating to the history of the South purchased since 1914 by the Littlefield Fund. Imprints include sermons, legal cases, funeral orations, speeches, essays, addresses, tracts, college catalogs, regimental histories, almanacs, literary, religious,

and fashion magazines, nursery and seed catalogs, diocesan reports, convention proceedings, fiction, poetry, essays, memoirs, diaries, journals, and biographies. The main strength of the collection is the history, politics, and biography of the region, with special emphasis on slavery and abolition, the Confederacy, and the Civil War. Other topics covered in depth include religion, the cotton economy, transportation, medicine, and law.

The Littlefield Map Collection

Approximately 500 printed maps, 1775-1960, largely depicting southern states and regions. The bulk of the collection is nineteenth-century maps, with special strengths for Arkansas, LA, and MS from the 1820s to 1880s.

The Southern Newspaper Collection

Several hundred linear feet of newspapers published in every state of the Confederacy from the 1790s through the early 1900s. Many issues are scarce or rare, including the copies of several important ante-bellum LA and MS newspapers. All titles have been cataloged onto OCLC as part of the U.S. Newspaper project.

The Charles Ramsdell Microfilm Collection

The Charles Ramsdell Microfilm Collection contains 399 reels of microfilmed records of Confederate bureaucracy, soldiers, and politicians as well as miscellaneous material relating to the general history of the ante-bellum, Civil War, and Reconstruction eras in the South, Named for the former University of TX history professor and specialist in the history of the South, the Ramsdell Collection is the result of a project sponsored by the Littlefield Fund from 1937 to 1940 that filmed printed and manuscript materials on Southern history housed in archival repositories outside of Texas; these included Yale, the MA Historical Society, the Library of Congress, Duke, the MS State Department of Archives and History, and the IL State Historical Society. Holdings include the Nathaniel P. Banks Papers, MS Territorial Papers, Orleans Territorial Papers, Confederate Blockade Runners Collection, Confederate States Congress Register of Acts and Resolutions Passed, Jefferson Davis Papers, John A. Quitman Papers, J. F. H. Claiborne Papers, Alexander F. Pugh Diary, and the MS Governors Papers, 1861-1865.

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